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Births.

BENNETT.—April 14, at Laurel Bank, Kent, the wife of Harry A. D. Bennett—a son.

Marriages.

ROSE—HORROCKS.—April 29, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, by the Rev. J. Reid, Charles George, third son of John Rose, Aberdeen, Scotland, to Mollie, second daughter of the late Samuel Horrocks, of Liverpool, England.

Deaths.

BARRY.—May 8, at St. Vincent's Hospice, Victoria-street, John Barry, brother of the late Right Rev. Monsignor Barry, aged 68 years. R.I.P. Funeral leaves at 2.45 p.m. for the Waverley Cemetery.

FRANKLING.—May 8, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. W. C. Corlette, 80 George-street West, Sydney, Mrs. [illegible] Frankling, aged 47 years.

KIRKBRIDE.—May 6, 1902, at 112 Denison-street, Woollahra, Arthur Edward, beloved son of Richard and Jane Kirkbride, of Charters Towers, age 16 years. Queensland papers please copy.

WHITE.—Mrs. White, age 21, at her residence, 74A [illegible]-street, Glebe, after a short and painful illness, [illegible], only daughter of J. and J. Cairns, of 61 Burwood-street, Ultimo. At rest. Funeral will leave her late residence at 1.45 p.m. TO-DAY, for Rookwood.

WILLIAMS.—May 8, at the residence of her son, 91 Riley-street, Mary, relict of the late Henry Williams, in her 79th year.

In Memoriam.

GIVINS.—In sad but ever loving memory of our dearly beloved son, Charles Colwell Givins, who departed this life May 9, 1898, at his residence, 81 Australia-st., Newtown.

'Tis hard to break the tender chord
When love has bound the heart.
'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words,
We for a time must part.

Inserted by his loving father and mother, John and Emily Givins, 81 Australia-street, Newtown.

GIVINS.—In sad but ever loving memory of our dearly beloved brother, Charles Colwell Givins, who departed this life May 9, 1898, at his residence, 81 Australia-street, Newtown.

The cup is bitter, the sting severe,
To part with him we loved so dear;
The trial is hard, we'll not complain,
But trust in God to meet again.

Inserted by his loving brothers and sisters, John, Alfred, and Bennie, and Emily, Maggie, Minnie, and Lily Givins.

HARDWICK.—A tribute of love to the memory of my dearly beloved husband and our dear father, John Hardwick, who departed this life on May 9th, 1900, aged 53 years.

Had He asked me, well I know
I should cry, "Oh, spare this blow."
Yes, with streaming tears should pray
"Lord, I love him; let him stay."

Inserted by his sorrowing wife and children.

HARDWICK.—In sad but everlasting memory of my dear loving father, John Hardwick, who departed this life on May 9th, 1900, after a short illness, aged 53 years.

All you who have a father
Love him while he'll stay;
He will not always linger here,
Too soon he'll pass away.
I never knew a father's worth,
Nor missed the love he gave,
Until within the lonely grave
His silent form was laid.

Inserted by his loving son, Thomas Hardwick.

[illegible].—In loving memory of our dear son and brother, who died May 9, 1900, aged 24 years. Inserted by his loving parents, sisters, and brother. Gone, but not forgotten.

M'ILRICK.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Ada M'Ilrick, who departed this life May 9, 1901, aged [illegible]. Inserted by her loving children. Macleay papers please copy.

MATTS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Jane Matts, who died May 9, 1901. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Sarah Matts.

MATTS.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Jane Matts, who died May 9, 1901. As the ivy clings to the oak, so our memory clings to thee. Inserted by her loving daughters, Emily, Annie, Alice.

MATTS.—In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother, Jane Matts, who died May 9, 1901. Inserted by her loving daughter and son, Frances and Henry; also grandchildren, William and Charles Lindsey.

NIAS.—In loving memory of my husband, Arthur Edward Somerset Nias, born Exeter, England, died Melbourne, Victoria, May 9, 1897. Arthur, may God be with thee till we meet again. Inserted by his wife, Lisette Nias.

SHYING.—In sad but loving memory of Mrs. E. J. Shying, who departed this life May 8th, 1897, at Bowral. Inserted by her loving sister and nephew, Mrs. K. H. and E. J. Reily.

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KARLSRUHE	5,057	G. Rott	July 5	July 12
[illegible]	5,005	Roesemann	July 26	Aug. 2
STUTTGART	5,048	P. Goerch	Aug. 16	Aug. 23
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By order of the Board.

ALBERT E. CHAPMAN, Secretary.

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The business will in the future be still carried on under the name of Du Faur and Gerard, by Mr. H. O. EKENSTEEN, who has acquired the whole of the same in his own sole right.

All accounts will be collected by the firm as now constituted, and all liabilities discharged by the same.

Dated the first day of May, 1902.

(Signed) E. DU FAUR.
(Signed) H. O. EKENSTEEN.

Witness to the signature of E. DU FAUR—(Signed) J. MINETT. Witness to the signature of H. O. EKENSTEEN—(Signed), J. MINETT.

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By order of the Board,

J. K. SAMUEL, Secretary.

Brookman's-building, Adelaide, 6th May, 1902.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

In the Estate of the late WILHELM MOHRLE, of Nukualofa, Tonga, deceased.

ALL CLAIMS against this Estate are required to be in the hands of the Deputy Commissioner for Tonga on or before the 30th day of June, 1902.

CONRAD LIEBER, Interim Trustee.

Nukualofa, 25th April, 1902.

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Parliamentary Elections.

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF SYDNEY.

PYRMONT DIVISION.

BYE-ELECTION, 1902.

I hereby notify that I am this day in receipt of a WRIT from the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, in the State of New South Wales, directing the holding of an ELECTION for the return of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales for the Electoral District of Sydney, PYRMONT DIVISION, in place of SAMUEL SMITH, Esq., resigned.

The day of NOMINATION for such Election shall be the 14th day of May next, at noon.

In the event of such an Election being contested, a POLL will take place on SATURDAY, the 24th day of May next, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. The said Writ is returnable on the 31st May, 1902.

Nominations in the prescribed form, which must be signed by the Candidate and not less than six duly qualified electors, will be received by me, or my substitute, at my office, at Lynedoch, 38 Point-street, daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and up to 6 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 13th day of May, 1902.

Nomination Forms and other information on application.

SAMUEL GELDING, Returning Officer.

38 Point-street, Pyrmont, 6th May, 1902.

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Meetings.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Half-yearly General MEETING of the Proprietors will be held at the Chief Banking House, George-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, the 23rd May, 1902, at noon, to consider the Report of the Board of Directors to be then made; to Elect an Auditor in the room of Mr. James Start Harrison, deceased, whose place has been temporarily filled by the appointment of Mr. William Harrington Palmer; and to consider such other matters and things as may then be brought forward in conformity with the deed of settlement.

By order of the Board of Directors,

J. RUSSELL FRENCH, General Manager.

Bank of New South Wales, Sydney, 1st May, 1902.

VICTOR J. DALEY TESTIMONIAL.

The Members of all the Committees connected with this Testimonial are requested to attend a MEETING at the Town Hall, Sydney, at 4 p.m., THIS DAY, Friday.

J. S. RYAN, Hon. Sec.

REDUCTION OF MEMBERS.—The Committee of the Parliamentary Reform Association will MEET THIS AFTERNOON, at the School of Arts, Pitt-street, at 4 o'clock. ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON, Chairman.

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TO-MORROW, KOOKABURRA ESTATE, MOSMAN. HARDIE and GORMAN.

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Religious Announcements.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

BUSINESS THIS DAY, Friday, 9th May, 1902:
10 a.m.—Home Mission Report (resumed); Petitions re Logan Request; Rev. W. W. Watts's Motion; Report on Applications for Admission; Mr. Affleck's Motion.
12.15 p.m.—Appointment of Scrutineers—Ballot.
2 p.m. Church Property Report; and Pitt-street Reference and Petitions.
7 p.m.—Report of Scrutineers; Election of Treasurership Committee and Board of Examiners; College Reports (St. Andrew's, Cooerwull Academy, Ladies' College, Scots College).
8.15 p.m.—Report on Religion and Morals; Temperance Report.
JAMES S. LAING, D.D.,
Clerk of Assembly.

THE ANNUAL MEETINGS of the Women's Prayer Union, Paddington Branch, will (D.V.) be held in St. Matthias' Hall, THIS DAY—Afternoon, 3; Missionary, 6.47; Evening, 7.45, for Men and Women. All welcome.
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Auction Sales.

NORTH SYDNEY SALEYARDS COMPANY, St. Leonards Railway Station.—AUCTION SALE, THIS DAY, at 2 p.m., FOWLS, Ducks, Turkeys, Eggs, Bacon, Horses, Cattle, Pigs, Chaff, Corn, Bran, Pollard, Buggies, Saddles, Drays, and various sundries.
HANDCOCK and VICKERS, Auctioneers.

C. J. TURNER will sell, at his Rooms, the Poultry Farmers' Exchange, Valentine-street, Haymarket, at 1.30, THIS DAY,
Poultry, Eggs, Suckers, &c.

SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY by the Australian Mortgage and Agency Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., Pastoral Finance Assoc., Ltd., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., as under:—
Sheepskins, at the Wool Exchange, at 11.30.
Hides, at 1.30 p.m.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at the Wool Saleroom, Macquarie-place, at 10.30,
Tallow.
And at 1 o'clock,
Hides.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO., Ltd., will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, Friday,
At 11 a.m., Sheepskins.
At 1.30 p.m., Hides.

THE CO-OPERATIVE WOOL AND PRODUCE CO., Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Royal Exchange, THIS DAY, at 10.45,
Sheepskins.

GOLDSBROUGH, MORT, and CO., Ltd., sell by Auction, TO-DAY, Sheepskins, at 11; Hides, 1.30.

GEORGE H. Maxnam and Co. sell by auction, This Day, at Wool Exchange, Sheepskins, 11; Hides, 1.30 p.m.

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WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m. sharp, Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, Horses and Harness.
And at 11.30 a.m.,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
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CAMPERDOWN SALEYARDS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 2.30 P.M.

SEVENTY HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above.

On account WESTERN AGENTS, Orange.
20 Very Superior Horses, comprising principally good upstanding light harness and saddle horses, all the right ages, broken.

On account J. TOWNS, Narromine.
10 superior Horses and Ponies, comprising 6 strong light horses, suitable for saddle and harness work and for remounts; also 2 pair 13-hand Ponies—good sorts.
*** Also, included in the lot is a chestnut mare, 4 years, by Disturber, full sister to Disfigured, the well-known racing pony.

On account Mr. J. H. PENGELLY, Yarraman Park, Liverpool Plains.
15 Well-bred Colts and Fillies, with breeding and substance, 4 and 5 years old, described as specially good, suitable for SHIPMENT to INDIA. Amongst the lot are a colt and filly, full brother and sister to Romping Girl.

On account Mr. JAS. RUTHERFORD, Murrumbidgerie
15 First-class Horses and Ponies, consisting of
11 Splendid Colts and Fillies, 4 and 5 years old, ranging in height from 15.3 to 16.2 high, all the one brand, sired by HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS from choice mares. Suitable for BUGGY, CARRIAGE, and HACKNEY use.
4 CHOICE PONIES, comprising Grey, 14.3, by SNOW, thoroughly broken to saddle, very fast, suitable for PONY RACING; Chestnut, about 14.1, broken to saddle and harness, a really good sort; also PAIR CHESTNUT BUGGY PONIES, about 13.3, thoroughly broken.

On account Mr. J. HOULDER, Nowra.
10 Light Harness and Saddle Horses, all in splendid condition, thoroughly broken, suitable for all kinds of light harness and hackney work.

3 HORSES AND 3 VEHICLES, &c.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,
Chestnut Gelding and Grey Gelding, broken to saddle and harness; also quiet Pony, Sulky, and Harness, Brougham Cab and Har., Sociable, D.S. Buggy, and Sulky.

BUCKBOARD BUGGY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. W. Derrig, Guildford, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, 14.2, by All Fours, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness; Jump-seat Buckboard Buggy and Harness. A good lot.

STYLISH S. AND H. HORSE AND BUGGY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. M. H. Blake, Pymble, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m.,
Handsome Bay Gelding, 15.2, broken to saddle and harness, stylish mover, stands tram, lady can drive him; also Hooded S.S. Buggy, in good order.

PONY BUGGY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Warton to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Handsome Dap. Creamy Pony Gelding, 13 hands, by Bonnie Charlie, quiet in saddle and harness; Hooded Buggy and Harness. A first-class lot.

SUPERIOR B.-S. SULKY TURNOUT, &c.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. C. Gilbert to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Chestnut Cob, reliable in saddle and harness, lady can drive
B.S. Sulky, best quality, and B.M. Harness, equal to new
Br Mare, stand tram, any trial and har.

15 FIRST-CLASS COUNTRY HORSES 15 FROM WEST MAITLAND.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. S. O'Donnell, West Maitland, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
15 First-class Horses, all thoroughly broken in, and including a splendid polo pony, three very reliable harness horses, and a very fine black buggy mare, by Roscoe.
The above are described as a specially good lot, and buyers will do well to attend the sale.

VAN HORSE AND PONY FROM PICTON.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Clynch, Picton, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Upstanding Bay Gelding, thoroughly stanch, suit a merchant's van; also Black Pony, 14 hands, broken to sad. and har., make a good polo pony.

HEAVY DR. HORSE FROM THE COUNTRY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Terrey, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Heavy Draught Black Gelding, thoroughly stanch, any trial, used to farm work.

HIGH-CLASS CARRIAGE HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. Noyes, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding (black points), by Banjo, very reliable in single and double harness, also a splendid hack. Owner leaving for Europe.

THOROUGHBRED GALLOWAY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. Braithwaite, Badgery Creek, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12.30,
Brown Gelding, by Cambria, by Nordenfeldt, dam by Trump Card, been handled to lead.

THOROUGHBRED MARE, FROM DUCKENFIELD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. Eales, Duckenfield, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12.30,
Brown Mare, 4 years, by Commercial from Charlotte Urara, by Glentilt from Miss Fieldhouse, good sort, broken to saddle and harness.

THREE HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
3 Useful harness Horses, in good condition, any trial, to be sold Without Reserve.

ACTIVE DRAUGHT GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
An active Draught Bay Gelding, 5 years, thoroughly stanch and reliable, any trial.

25 HORSES, VEHICLES, HARNESS, 2 VERTICAL BOILERS, 4-h.p. ENGINE, SUNDRIES, &c.

On the Premises, M'Namara's Stables, 117 and 118 Abercrombie-street, near Cleveland-street, on SATURDAY NEXT, at 2 p.m.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above, 25 Useful Harness Horses, fit for buggy, sulky, or tradesmen's carts; also a few Draught Horses, all thoroughly broken; 1 Yankee Omnibus, with Staircase; 1 Drag, 6 Tipcarts, 8 Sulkies, 2 Spring Vans, 2 Butchers' Carcase Carts, Sundry Harness; also 6-horse-power Vertical Boiler and 4-horse-power Engine combined; 1 Vertical Boiler, 4-horse power; also Pulleys, &c.; quantity of Pipes, Iron, and Sundries of every description; 1 Boiler and large quantity of Piping, &c., as well as other sundries too numerous to particularise; also Buggy Wheels, Coachbuilder's Materials, &c., &c.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB MAY MEETING.

SALE OF GATES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Secretary, Tattersall's Club, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, on MONDAY Next, at 12 o'clock,
The Right to Collect at Entrance Gates and St. Leger Reserve during above Meeting to be held at Randwick on the 17th instant.

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THIS DAY,
at 1.30 p.m.,
Sucking Pigs, Poultry, Eggs, Honey, &c.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Saleyards, Quay-street, off George-street South, THIS DAY, at 1 o'clock,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Store Pigs, Suckers, Carcase Pork and Veal; Creamery, Factory, and Dairy Roll and Keg Butter; Cheese, Bacon, Eggs, Honey, Lard, Fruit, a large quantity of Poultry of every description, Pigeons, Birds, Game, &c.

STORE PIGS. STORE PIGS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at CITY YARDS.

J. C. YOUNG and CO. will sell, at 11 a.m.,
100 good Forward Store Pigs, per rail.

TO-MORROW, KOOKABURRA ESTATE, MOSMAN. HARDIE and GORMAN.

LYCEUM THEATRE.

Lessee......................... Mr. WILLIAM ANDERSON.
Sub-Lessee..................... BLAND HOLT.
POPULAR PRICES, 3s, 2s, and One Shilling.
EARLY DOORS.
One Shilling will be charged for Early Doors, from 6.45 to 7.15 p.m.

OVERFLOWING WITH
HUMOUR,
NOVELTY,
SENSATION!

BLAND HOLT'S
Deeply Enthralling Melodramatic Story,
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
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IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S.
No Puppets, but Real Personages,
and they
TALK TO YOU,
LAUGH WITH YOU,
WEEP WITH YOU,
And All So Naturally and Spontaneously
That Sometimes You
FIND YOURSELVES WONDERING!
Whether it is FICTION or FACT you are Witnessing.
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S
IN SIGHT OF ST. PAUL'S.
THE ROOF GARDEN!
And Its Comprehensive VIEW OF MIGHTY LONDON!
THE ASPASIA CLUB!
Gay Laughter, Joyous Women, Gorgeous Costumes,
Brilliant Adjuncts!
LONDON'S HEART!
Realistic Picture of a London Street.
THE THRILLING FIRE TABLEAU!
THE THRILLING FIRE TABLEAU!
And the
INTERIOR OF ST. PAUL'S!

Box Plan at ELVY'S, George-street. Booking Fee, 1s extra. Day Tickets at J. H. ROBINS', Tobacconist, next Theatre. Children in arms not admitted.
Business Manager, CHRISTIE SIMONSENS.

HAVE you seen MERRY WORLD at PALACE?

TO-MORROW, KOOKABURRA ESTATE, MOSMAN. HARDIE and GORMAN.

Auction Sales.

ANNANDALE AND LEICHHARDT.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 9th, at 11.

On the Premises,
RESTERMEL, No. 48 Annandale-street,
four minutes' walk from Parramatta-road,
ANNANDALE.

E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB has received instructions from O. B. Featherstone, Esq., to sell by public auction the whole of his new and up-to-date FURNITURE and Effects of a large two-story House, comprising
Drawing, Hall, Dining, Breakfast, Single and Double Bedroom Appointments, including
A Handsome Upright Grand English Pianoforte, cost 65 guineas eight months ago
Solid Italian Walnut Cabinet, Bev. Mirrors, Shelves, Drawers, &c.
Beautiful Genoa Velvet Drawing Suite
Well-made nine-piece Leather Dining Suite, in Myrtle skins, not a mark
Massive 5ft. Sideboard, canopy top, bev. mirrors
Overmantels, Curtains, Carpets, and Linoleums
Oscillating Singer S. Machine, D. Tables and Chairs
Beautiful and costly Table Plate, Cutlery, Tea, Breakfast, Dinner, and Tete-a-tete Sets
Very Massive and Lofty Heavy Brass-mounted 4.6 Bedstead and Single Half-testers, complete, with Best Bedding, &c., Household Linen, Blankets, &c.
Doulton Toilet Ware, Massive Chests Drawers Combinations, &c.
Beautiful 3-wing Bedroom Suite, 30 guineas a few months ago
Beacon-field Suites
Kitchen, Laundry, and Yard Utensils.

No Reserve. THIS DAY, at 11.

On view up to hour of sale.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB will sell by public auction, on the premises,
687 and 689 GEORGE-STREET, HAYMARKET,
CONTENTS 8-roomed HOUSE,
moved from Campbell-street, N. Sydney,
including
Upright Grand PIANOFORTE
DRAWING, DINING, HALL, BREAKFAST, Single and Double BED ROOM APPOINTMENTS.

NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

PADDINGTON.

TO-MORROW MORNING, SATURDAY,
at 11 sharp.
One door from corner ELIZABETH-STREET, in HARGRAVES-STREET, PADDINGTON.
6 Rooms First-class FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD LINEN, TABLE PLATE, CROCKERY, and GLASSWARE.

E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB will sell by public auction as above.
NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY.

JOHN P. LISTER

will sell by auction,
at the Rooms, 247A Pitt-street,
The Unredeemed JEWELLERY and SUNDRIES pledged with Mr. Jacob Mandelberg, of the Federal Loan Office, Castlereagh-street.

At 11 o'clock sharp:
JEWELLERY, consisting of Gold Htg. Keyless Minute-recording Chronograph, by Nicole Nielsen; Gold Htg. Keyless Waltham Chronograph; 2 large Single-stone Diamond Rings, magnificent Cluster Diamond Bangle; Gold and Silver Keyless Waltham and Lever Watches; Diamond Brooches and Earrings; Gold Alberts, Chains, Fobs, and Muff Chains, &c., &c., &c.

At 12.30 o'clock:
SUNDRIES, comprising Guns, Revolvers, Musical Instruments, a fine assortment of E.P. Ware. Also, 1 Gent.'s Massey-Harris BICYCLE, nearly new.

THIS DAY.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street,
The Unredeemed CLOTHING and JEWELLERY pledged with Mr. M. Franks, of 3 Botany-road, Waterloo.
At 2 o'clock: Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.
At 3.30 o'clock: Jewellery.

BUILDING MATERIALS. BUILDING MATERIALS.
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 O'CLOCK.
On the SITE, 141 YORK-STREET, opp. MARKETS.
Demolition of the Fruit Store lately occupied by J. Pope and Co.
150 Sheets of Galvanised Iron, 5 to 9 ft. lengths
Water Piping, Gas Piping, Register Grate
3 Castiron Verandah Pilasters, 1000 Bricks
2000ft. of First-class Timber, including 4 x 3, 4 x 2½, 4 x 4, 3 x 2, in long lengths of Hardwood and Oregon
Doors, Windows, Partitions, Feedboxes, &c.

BARNETT AND CO. will sell as above, THIS MORNING, at 11.
NO RESERVE.

RUSHCUTTER BAY. BUILDING MATERIALS.
Demolition of Cottage and Stables.
UNRESERVED SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30.
200 Sheets Galv. Iron 6000 Bricks, A1 quality
1500ft. Weatherboards, 800ft. Flooring, 1500ft. Lining
2000ft. Joisting, Studding, Rafters

BARNETT and CO. have received instructions to sell as above, Without Reserve, on the site, corner William and Barcom streets, Rushcutter Bay.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, DEALERS, and Others.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, May 9th, at 11 o'clock.

TOTALLY UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE of a 12-roomed House of FURNITURE, almost new, at 77 VICTORIA-STREET, DARLINGHURST.

10 H.T. Bedsteads, Wire Mattresses and Bedding
8 Chests of Drawers, Combination and others
8 Marble Slab Washstands and Sets of Ware
20 Austrian Chairs, Rattan and American Chairs, Sideboard, Dinner Waggon
Couches, Hall Stand, Toilet Tables and Glasses
Child's Cot, Cutlery, E.P. Ware Crockery, Glassware
Oilcloths, Pictures, Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c.
Also, large quantity of Bed and Table Linen, Blankets, &c.

H. LEVY has received instructions from Mrs. DAY, to sell by auction, the Whole of her Household Furniture and Effects, at 77 Victoria-street, Darlinghurst.
TOTALLY UNRESERVED.
Auctioneer's Office: 135 Regent-street, city.
Tel., 19 Glebe.

THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, AT 2.30.
ON THE PREMISES,
146 ELIZABETH-STREET, near Liverpool-street, city.
SALE BY AUCTION of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising Walnut Piano, by Franz Langman; Bamboo and Gilt Overmantels, S.W. Sideboard (very handsome), Walnut Cabinet, Ebonized Drawing-rm. Cabinet, Real Leather Suite (9 pcs.), Genoa and Plush Suite, several Tapestry and A.C. Suites, Handsome Bedroom Suite, Oak and Stained W. Hall Stands, Austrian Chairs, Singer's Sewing Machine, Pairs Toilets, Carpets, New Home Sewing Machine, Combination Chests, 7-drawer Cedar Chests, Washstands, Double and Single Half-tester Bedsteads, Linos., Oilcloth, Rugs, Mats, Kitchen and Laundry Requisites, Corn Crusher, Gas Stove.

JOHN J. PITT

will sell as above, Without Reserve.

THIS DAY, MAY 9th, at 2 P.M.
UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

A. G. JENKINS will sell, at his Rooms, 274 PITT-STREET, the UNREDEEMED PLEDGES pawned with Mr. W. B. M'FARLAN, at his office, Riley-street, Surry Hills, consisting of
MEN'S and WOMEN'S APPAREL, suitable for the winter; Macintoshes, Umbrellas, Jackets, Capes, Blankets, &c.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
For UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE,
on the Premises, 215 Nelson-street, Annandale.
Household FURNITURE, Double and Single Bedsteads and Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Couch, Sewing Machine, Picture, Oilcloth, Sundries; also, good upstanding Horse, any trial, and Springcart Harness.

JAMES LEAN, Auctioneer, 386 Parramatta-road, Petersham.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, AT 3 O'CLOCK,
at 694 Darling-street, Balmain, near Callan Park.

F. H. MINIFIE will sell 2 very fine PIANOS, by Bord, Rosener, Dining and Bedroom Suites, &c.

THIS DAY, AT 2.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at Hay and George streets, Haymarket, 800 lots New and Second-hand Clothing, Bed Linen, Boots, Shoes, Watches, Furniture, Bedsteads, and Sundries.
No Reserve.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 2.30, on the premises, 188 RILEY-STREET.—J. L. LEE will sell by auction, Useful Lot HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Mangle, &c. NO RESERVE.

CHATSWOOD.

UNRESERVED SALE of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
TO-MORROW, 10th MAY, AT 2 P.M.,
at
HUGH DUFF AND CO.'S SPACIOUS SALEROOMS, RIGHT AT CHATSWOOD RAILWAY STATION.
COTTAGE PIANO, WALNUT DINING-ROOM SUITE (10 pieces), Overmantel, Sideboard, Cedar Table, Glass Case, WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE (Wardrobe, Chest Drawers, Pair Toilets), Double Bedstead, &c., Chest of Drawers, Mirrors, Fender, Pictures, Carpets, Oilcloth, ORNAMENTS, and Sundries.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions from a LADY who is LEAVING THE STATE to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their SALEROOMS, RIGHT AT CHATSWOOD STATION, TO-MORROW, at 2 p.m., as above.

NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

WARREN GROVE.—High Land, Ocean Views, Electric Tram, and Railway Station few minutes' walk. Torrens Title; Liberal Terms. SALE on the Ground, Marrickville Heights, TO-MORROW, Saturday, 3.30 p.m. BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, Auctioneers.

"A RUNAWAY GIRL" MATINEE

THE SECOND MATINEE
of
A RUNAWAY GIRL
will be given at 2 o'clock
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON NEXT, MAY 14th.
CHILDREN HALF-PRICE ALL PARTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.

Lessee and Manager .... Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON.
Bus Manager, Geo. L. Goodman; Treas., W. E. Bryer.

EVERY EVENING, at 8. WED. AFTERNOON, at 2.

SEASON OF SIX WEEKS ONLY,
of J. C. Williamson's
ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY,

A RUNAWAY GIRL,
a
COMPLETE AND EMPHATIC TRIUMPH.

"Full of bright, tuneful, and extremely catchy music, it rippled along to the finish in a most charming fashion; was well sung and acted.

The bright, mirthful, exhilarating, laughter-compelling, musical play, which convulsed London audiences for upwards of 500 nights at the Gaiety Theatre, and more recently established a record in Melbourne, promises to
MAKE SYDNEY MERRY
during the present brief season, presenting as it does
A FEAST OF MIRTH AND MUSIC.

"The stamp of popular approval has been decidedly placed upon this vivacious and amusing production, and the company thoroughly deserve the triumph it achieved."

A RUNAWAY GIRL

will be repeated
THIS and EVERY EVENING at 8
(and on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON at 2).

Characters by the J. C. Williamson
ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY.

SCENERY by J. GORDON and G. DIXON.
THE ORCHESTRA directed by M. LEON CARON.
Produced under the direction of Mr. SPENCER BARRY.

Prices as usual. Box Plan at Nicholson's. Day Tickets at Gunther's Cigar Divan. Early Doors 1s extra.

THEATRE ROYAL.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

To meet the convenience of intending visitors,
THE BOX PLANS for A RUNAWAY GIRL
are now opened for
12 NIGHTS IN ADVANCE,
thus enabling patrons to secure their seats well ahead, and avoid disappointment.

A RUNAWAY GIRL.

MUSIC.
REDUCED PRICES.
Vocal Score, Piano Score, Waltz, Lancers — Runaway Girl and San Toy.

W. H. PALING and CO., Ltd.,
Agents for Victor and Lipp Pianos,
338 George-street, Sydney.

A RUNAWAY GIRL. Vocal and Piano Scores. Elvy and Co., 329 George-st.

A RUNAWAY GIRL.—"Soldiers in the Park," Song and March, and others. Elvy and Co., 329 George-st.

NO Performance like WORLD'S ENTERTAINERS. PALACE.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
9th MAY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A.M.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,
AT THE ROOMS OF

LAWSON, CARO, AND CO., LTD.,

128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.

HIGHLY SUPERIOR MODERN

FURNITURE,

and

HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
including the remaining portion of the Furniture and Effects removed from the residence of
Dr. HINDER, ASHFIELD;
Also,
Under instructions from Mrs NICHOLAS, the Furniture and Appointments removed from her residence,
DENEHOLME, WARREN-ROAD,
MARRICKVILLE,
and
Surplus Furniture removed from a gentleman's residence in MACLEAY-STREET.

Comprising
HANDSOME DINING-ROOM FURNITURE,
including several boldly designed Sideboards, Telescope Dining Tables, Dinner Waggons, and Dining-room Suites.

CUT TABLE GLASS, FINE CHINA, BEST SHEFFIELD CUTLERY,
and
FINEST QUALITY ELECTROPLATE,
including two very handsome SOUP TUREENS, with covers, WALKER and HALL'S finest electroplate.

SEVERAL VERY FINE CARPETS,
Royal Axminster and Brussels, in very excellent preservation.

A LOFTY CABINET OVERMANTEL,
of grand proportions, in Solid Walnut Carved Frame, fitted with large Bevelled-edged Mirror to centre, two side enclosed Cabinets, and numerous Mirror Panels, size 7ft. high x 5ft. wide.
TWO SOLID WALNUT BOOKCASES,
specially made and designed to Dr. Hinder's orders.

DRAWING-ROOM AND OCCASIONAL SUITES.
HANDSOME CHINA CABINETS.
OCCASIONAL TABLES and CHAIRS.
CHOICE ORNAMENTS. VALUABLE PICTURES.
EDISON'S PHONOGRAPH.

BAGATELLE BOARD, with appurtenances complete.

A SEMI-GRAND PIANOFORTE,
by the Celebrated Maker, KAPS, of DRESDEN.

A THREE-QUARTER GRAND PIANOFORTE,
by PLEYEL.

AN UPRIGHT WALNUT PIANOFORTE,
by EMIL ASCHERBERG, Dresden;
and
SEVERAL OTHER VALUABLE INSTRUMENTS.

A POWERFUL-TONED AMERICAN ORGAN,
10 stops, by the STANDARD ORGAN CO.

A LARGE VARIETY OF BEDROOM FURNITURE,
including
Handsome Suites, suitable for all apartments; Double and Single Bedsteads, with Bedding complete; Solid Cedar Wardrobe, Solid Walnut Chests Drawers, Pairs of Toilets, Toilet Services, &c., &c.

KITCHEN and LAUNDRY REQUISITES.
RALEIGH'S PARAGON GAS STOVE
(almost new).
&c., &c.

And at 12 o'clock prompt,
Under Instructions from the TRUSTEES,
A HOODED BUGGY PARK PHAETON
(formerly the property of the late Mrs. Robinson).

JAMES R. LAWSON,

AUCTIONEER,
LAWSON, CARO, and CO., LTD.,
will conduct the highly important sale by auction AT THE ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, as above.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To the Coachbuilding Trade, Country Buyers, Dealers, and others.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION
AT THE ROOMS, 12 BARRACK-STREET,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 9,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

ON ACCOUNT OF THOSE CONCERNED,
STOCK OF A WHOLESALE COACHBUILDER,
who is relinquishing this Branch.
COMPLETE STOCK OF ALL LINES
COACHBUILDERS' MATERIALS,
comprising
BOLTS and NUTS, ALL SIZES
LEATHER CLOTH, assorted Colours, Green, Claret, Maroon, &c.
NICKEL DASH RAILS, various patterns for wood and Leather Dashes
Very Large Assortment LAMPS
SPOKES, RIMS, HUBS, and all other Woodware
SEAT SCREWS, PAINTS, VARNISH,
AND ALL LINES USED BY THE TRADE.
Also,
50 Sets AMERICAN HARNESS, COLLAR, and HAMES, assorted
12 Sets Best Black ENGLISH BUGGY HARNESS, 1½in. Traces, Solid Nickel Furniture.
SADDLERS' SUNDRIES, &c.

A. TRAVERSI AND CO. will sell as above, at their Rooms, 12 Barrack-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, May 9, at 11 o'clock sharp.

WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.

WOODLAND, 16 ELIZABETH-STREET,
PADDINGTON.

To Parties Furnishing, the Trade, and Anyone in Search of

FIRST-CLASS FURNITURE.

ALF. EDGAR has been favoured with instructions from Mrs. REBECCA BUCKLEY, who is leaving for the country on account of her mother's death, to sell by auction the superior and recherche Furnishings of her 10-roomed Villa.
WALNUT PIANO, iron frame, overstrung, trichord, under damper action, cost 65 guineas a few months ago.
Perfect tone and touch, worth inspection.
Superior DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, 7 pcs.
Brussels Carpets, Whatnots, Walnut Occ. Tables
Music Stand, Velvet Pile and Wool Rugs
Beautiful ORNAMENTS in Sevres, Dresden, and Moore's Exhibition China
Massive LEATHER DINING SUITE, of 9 pcs., massive carved frames, all buttoned seats
Superbly Designed SIDEBOARD, with canopy top, 3 bev. mirrors, carved panels, plate and linen drawers, cupboards, &c., size 5ft.
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, 2 spare leaves, size 8ft.
Bookcase and Books, Sewing Machine, Linoleums
E.P. Ware and Cutlery, by Dixon and Sons
2 Large ITALIAN WALNUT OVERMANTELS, with numerous bev. plates, unique designs
Handsome STATE BEDSTEAD, heavily brass-mounted, with a specially good wire mattress, made to order, and Java kapok bedding 8in. thick
Grand BEDROOM SUITE, Wardrobe with 2 bevelled mirror robing doors and central mirror, 4ft. Toilets to match
Handsome double set of Toilet Ware
Contents of five other well-furnished Bedrooms.
Superior Kitchen and Laundry Requisites, Crockery, Glassware, &c.

The whole to be sold
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

WARREN GROVE.—High Land, Ocean Views, Electric Tram, and Railway Station few minutes' walk. Torrens Title; Liberal Terms. SALE on the Ground, Marrickville Heights, TO-MORROW, Saturday, 3.30 p.m. BATT, RODD, and PURVES, Limited, Auctioneers.

FOR

WATERPROOF COATS,

RUBBER BOOTS,

AND

GOLOSHES,

PERDRIAU AND COMPANY.

270 GEORGE-STREET, SYDNEY
(BETWEEN HUNTER AND BOND STREETS).

Auction Sales.

IMPORTANT AND VERY ATTRACTIVE SALE

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.,

and throughout the day, with a short stop for Lunch.

VERY SUPERIOR GENERAL FURNISHINGS.

First-class Pianos, Paintings, Bagatelle Table, Invalid's Chair, Ice Chests, Gas Stoves, Go-Cart, Prams, Violin, St. Bernard Dog, Elegant Pony Sulky, Plated Harness, and Silver Mane Pony, 13 hands, perfectly quiet and safe lady drive, children to handle, &c.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, TO BEGIN AT 11 A.M.

A few of the Principal Lots are Specified hereunder:—
MASSIVE MAHOGANY DINING TABLE, extends twenty-two (22) ft.
SOLID WALNUT DINING SUITE, BREAKFAST-R. SUITE
TWO SUPERB SIDEBOARDS in Solid Walnut, each 6ft. long
EXQUISITE DRAWING-ROOM CABINET AND SUITE, inlaid Rosewood
MAGNIFICENT 8ft. BAGATELLE TABLE and STAND, Slate Bed, Ivory Balls
VALUABLE POLLARD OAK BOOKCASE, with Secretaire Drawer
ALSO, BEST SOLID OAK BOOKSHELVES, 8ft., suit legal or clerical gents.
A MAGNIFICENT WALNUT and ASH DOUBLE BEDROOM SUITE and Bedstead
Superb AXMINSTER, BRUSSELS, and OTHER CARPETS, various sizes
LARGE ASSORTMENT ELECTROPLATE, TABLE LOTS, Sets in Art China, &c.
SOLID WALNUT CHEST, 5 Drawers, lined with Oak
TIMEPIECES, BRIC-A-BRAC, ENGRAVINGS, PAINTINGS, &c.
Medium-size BEDROOM SUITES, various design and quality
A GRAND 6ft. AMERICAN ASH WARDROBE, 2 bev. m. doors, &c.
Several COMBINATION CHESTS DRAWERS, WASHSTANDS, TOILET SETS
Several Medium-size SIDEBOARDS, large lot useful lines
SEWING MACHINES, by various makers;
and sec. various owners.
Large, well-made LINEN PRESS, COTS, LEATHER PORTMANTEAU, EUREKA GASSTOVES, WENTWORTH COOKING RANGE, PRIMUS COOKER, COUCHES of various kinds, Curtains, Blinds, Dressers, Tables, Safes, Hallstands, and every conceivable Requisite in variety, Kitchen and Outside Lots, Garden Seat, Mower, Tools, Linoleums, &c., &c.
The PONY TURNOUT is all right, and Pony can be recommended for use of ladies and children. Present owner assures us it is perfectly reliable, and children play under it.
Will be sold together or separately at 2 p.m.
The ST. BERNARD DOG is described to us as a splendid watch, and will also be sold at 2 p.m. at rear of our rooms.
In our printed Catalogues there are for Sale To-morrow, 8 Pianos, viz., the Hapsburg, the Bridenstein, the Simon Lipp, the Erhardt, the Boardman, the Hopkinson, the Aucher Freres, the Rosener, sent in for sale on account of various vendors, and all round the best lot submitted for some time past.
DESCRIPTIVE BOOK CATALOGUES are on hand, and can be obtained at the Salerooms.

STRONGMAN AND WATSON beg to draw the attention of Gentry Furnishing in good taste, Buyers of the better class of Furniture and Household Appointments, Dealers, and others to this EXTENSIVE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION
at

THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS,

at 11 a.m. This Morning, and all day, with stop for luncheon.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, BROKERS, AND OTHERS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 9th,
at 11 o'clock,
AT CROMER HOUSE, PHILLIP-STREET,
CITY.
HIGHLY IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE
by
PUBLIC AUCTION.
Under instructions from R. G. DAVENPORT, Esq., on account of his departure for London.

THE WHOLE OF THE SUPERIOR FURNITURE, PIANO, LADY'S BICYCLE, and EFFECTS.

GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATED WARE.

MAGNIFICENT SOLID WALNUT SIDEBOARD, size 6ft., of modern design and superior finish.

SOLID WALNUT BOOKCASE, in fine condition.
CEDAR EXTENSION TABLE, 9ft.
Cedar 3-Tier Dinner Waggon.

☞ MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, "THE VICTOR," imported by Paling and Co., possessing remarkable powers of tone, and in splendid order. COST 60 GUINEAS.

WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, in good order.

WILTON PILE CARPETS, BEST LINOLEUM.

MARBLE CLOCK, JARDINIERES, and ORNAMENTS.

LARGE HALLSTAND, with bev. mirror back.

THE SUBSTANTIAL FURNISHINGS OF 7 BEDROOMS, BREAKFAST-ROOM, and KITCHEN.
LARGE 7ft. 3-WINGED BEDROOM SUITE, comprising three wing Wardrobe, fitted with 2 robing doors with bevelled mirrors, and pair large Pedestal Toilets, with Cheval Bevelled Mirror and Drawers; with dark Marble Washstand, nearly new.

MASSIVE BRASS-MOUNTED ITALIAN BEDSTEAD, fitted with mother-o'-pearl spindles, raised Wire Mattress and Kapok Bedding, cost £17.

BEAUTIFUL DOUBLE SET OF DOULTON WARE.

☞ SIX OTHER ROOMS, WELL FURNISHED with CEDAR and PINE WARDROBES.
CEDAR and PINE COMBINATION CHESTS of DRAWERS.
Washstands and Toilet Ware, Chests of Drawers.
4ft., 3ft., and 2ft. 6in. HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, fitted with Wire and Kapok Mattresses. The Bedsteads are as good as new.

Bed and Table Linen, Blankets and Quilts for the whole of the beds.

BREAKFAST-ROOM, with 4 Tables, AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, and a fine 5ft. SIDEBOARD, with large bevelled mirror back.

☞ LADY'S BICYCLE, brought out from home by Mrs. DAVENPORT, and only used a few times, THE HARRISON, BIRMINGHAM.

KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS, MANGLE, &c., &c., &c.

CATALOGUES to be had on application at the residence.

DALWOOD AND CO., LTD., have received instructions from R. G. DAVENPORT, Esq., to sell the Whole of his Superior FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, BROKERS, AND OTHERS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 9th, at 11 a.m.,
at 211 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, CITY.
Under instructions from Mrs. HERNERMAN.
The whole of her
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,
comprising
Double and Single Brass-mounted Bedsteads
Chest Drawers, Combinations, Washstands
Extension Table, Aus. Furniture, Pictures
Carpets, Encl. Dresser, and Sundry Furniture.
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CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

Isabel looked round this miserable refuge. On a low truckle-bed, one leg of which had been burned for fuel and was replaced by a brick, lay a woman, apparently in a starving condition. Her eyes were closed, her cheek was pinched and white; but her face was delicate—it looked like the face of a gentlewoman. She was covered by a petticoat. There was no other furniture of any kind—not a curtain to the window, not a chair or a table. There were no clothes hanging up, not a change of any kind. There was not even a tub for washing; there was nothing at all—nothing! And in her brain rang the words like a peal of bells, "Your handiwork—your handiwork!" Destitution could go no further; this unfortunate pair had reached the very bottom rung of the ladder; below them lay starvation, the painful path, the gate of life.

Isabel's heart sank; her conscience smote her. Her voice failed—she choked—she sobbed.

The woman on the bed opened her eyes.

"Madam!" she murmured in wonder, not understanding.

Then Isabel recovered herself.

"Child!"—taking out her purse—"go this moment! What are you standing there for doing nothing? Haste! Haste! Buy a basket, bring back food—anything—food—do you hear? A bottle of wine—bread—cold beef—what you can get—and strawberries. There are strawberries and cherries in the market. Covent Garden is close at hand. Go this moment. Oh! how slow the girl is! The money—I forgot the money! Here child! Don't look at me. Don't stare. Run—run!"

She took the girl by the shoulders and pushed her out of the room, for, indeed, the girl seemed not to understand.

When she was gone, Isabel turned to the woman on the bed.

"Your daughter," she said, "told me that you were poor, but I was not prepared for poverty such as this. Have you no friends who can help you?"

"My husband had tavern friends once. They give him food still from time to time; but their patience is exhausted. He has cousins and relations, too, but he has tired them out. They will not help him any more; they are tired of helping him, and he—poor man!—cannot help himself."

"Can he not find employment?"

"Alas, madam! one who has been himself in business knows too much to be employed as a salesman. They will not have a bankrupt; they mistrust an unfortunate man. Besides, they want a young man. And my husband's character, I am ashamed to say, is gone. He has always been too fond of the tavern."

The woman's voice was soft and gentle, and her manner better than one expects in such a position.

"Tell me," said Isabel, "about yourself."

"I have nothing to tell, madam. I had two children—a brave boy and a good girl. My brave boy ran away from our miserable home, and has gone off to sea; my poor girl is good still, thank God! But you have seen her."

"She is a pretty girl; it is dangerous for her to be in this poverty."

The woman clasped her hands.

"I have but one prayer left," she said: "I pray daily that we may both starve rather than that she should yield to temptation."

"You must be taken out of this place," said Isabel. "You must be carried to a lodging where you will have pure air and a clean house and——"

"Madam, madam"—the woman half raised herself on her elbow—"in the name of God, who are you? Some angel, sure! Oh! it is three years since misfortune fell upon us; no one has befriended us, no one has visited us—a bankrupt and a bankrupt's wife are like two tainted sheep in the flock. They tossed us a few shillings at first, but they soon left us to our misery. And you—a stranger—find us out; and you——" She could say no more; she turned her head upon the miserable sacking that made her pillow, and she sobbed in silence.

Isabel stood watching her, the tears rolling down her cheeks. This was her doing, this was her handiwork; by her own wickedness she had brought the poor woman to this misery. Never before had she understood what the consequences of her act might be. This woman sinking deeper and deeper into misery undeserved, and she herself living in luxury and comfort, her very conscience quiet and still, unmindful of what might happen!

"I thank God!" she murmured—but the other did not understand—"that I have found you!"

Then the girl returned with a basket filled with the things she had bought. She gazed with wonder at her benefactress. Why, she was crying. However, Isabel dried her tears and assumed a cheerfulness which she did not feel.

"The first thing," said Isabel, "is to take some food—both of you—— What? there is but one knife! We must provide two—at least, for the future. Meantime we may make the one knife do. Only one plate? Then you, poor soul, you must have the plate and your daughter must have a platter of bread. So now, eat, drink, and refresh yourselves."

When the meal was finished:

"Now, child," said Isabel, "come with me in search of lodgings. We must find rooms with a purer air, nearer the country, better furnished. Oh! be assured we shall take care of you."

They found lodgings early, in one of the new houses beside the Foundling Hospital, a quarter which is close to the green fields and the country, where the air is fresh and there are no crowds; it is a place remote from the busy parts of town and from the amusements, the theatre, the gardens, the taverns, the coffee-houses; yet for such a one as this poor woman, who wanted, above all things, rest and peace and freedom from anxiety about the morrow, no better lodgings could be found.

Isabel, in her pity for so much misery and in her self-reproach, spared nothing that could restore comfort to this luckless pair.

She bought a complete wardrobe at a second-hand or broker's shop—one suited for the wife of a respectable tradesman and another suitable for her daughter. The girl looked on in a kind of stupid amazement. She had been so miserable in the morning, she had been so ragged, she had been so hopeless, so hungry, so despairing of the future; and now—now she had been refreshed by a good solid meal, with a cup of wine, warming and comforting. She felt the solid comfort of a sufficient meal; she knew not what was going to happen, but she was bringing home two stout bundles containing frocks, petticoats, boots, stockings, and everything else; and lodgings were taken whither her mother was to be removed. What it meant, why this lady had come to their assistance, the girl neither asked nor felt the least curiosity to know.

In a word, Isabel opened her bundle and dressed the poor woman as she had not been dressed for three years. Then she left a message for the landlord concerning the rent that was owing; she guided the poor woman's footsteps down the rickety stairs, she placed her, with the girl, in her coach, and she carried her to the new lodgings.

"You like the room? You will be comfortable here?"

"Madam, it is a heaven! Are we dreaming? Am I awake?"

"If you like the place, well and good. Now, I will arrange for your rent to be paid by my attorney. And it is of no use to have a lodging and no food; I will arrange for you to have a guinea a week. That should suffice."

"Madam!"

"Debts must be paid. Sooner or later debts must be paid." But they neither heard nor understood. "What about your husband?"

"He will want to take all the money for drinking."

"Don't give him more than ninepence a day for his dinner and his drink. Let him not know how much you have. If he is troublesome let my attorney know." She turned and looked at the daughter. "What can you do?" she asked.

"I can do plain work."

"Humph! so can everybody. Anything else? Can you read and write?"

"Madam," said her mother, "she can read as well as any clerk and can write like a scrivener. She can play the harpsichord; she can sing, when she is not hungry."

"Have you any wish or design for her?"

"Alas, madam! what can I do for her? There are girls wanted for the Pawns of the Royal Exchange, and for coffee-houses, and for Westminster Hall, where they sell gloves and lawyers' bands; but to get a place there wants interest—and there are temptations in those places. Yet a poor girl must escape temptation."

"True."

Then Isabel bethought her of something not belonging to the life of a girl behind the counter. It was quite a sudden thought; it had never occurred to her before. But, she though, how if she had this girl in her own house, as a companion and a secretary, or what not? She looked again at the girl. In her new dress she was pleasing; her bearing was modest; she was delicate and lovely to look upon. Isabel liked people as well as things around her to be beautiful. She seemed honest and good-tempered.

"What is her name?" Isabel asked.

"She was christened Alice."

"Alice—you! what do you think, Alice? Would you like to come with me?"

Alice looked at her mother.

"I could teach her," Isabel addressed the mother, "very quickly the manners of the world. She is personable; her figure is good. I will take her into my household for a time—not as a servant, but as a secretary and companion. She could do for me the small services that I require."

"Yes, madam; but—I fear——"

"You are right to fear. I live in St. James's-square, which is a respectable place. I am a widow and I am wealthy. I have taken a fancy to this daughter of yours. Besides, there are other considerations." (Again they understood nothing.) "What do you say, Alice?"

"O madam, you overwhelm us!" Alice fell upon her knees and kissed Isabel's hand. "Who would have thought this morning——"

"That such an accident would happen? Not I, for one."

"You have saved my mother's life, madam. What can I say, except that I am truly grateful and should be happy indeed to be your servant."

"You will let her come to me?" she asked the mother.

"Madam, no angel of the Lord could be so good as you have been." She looked wistfully and searchingly at her benefactress. "But it is a wicked world. God deal with you, madam, as you deal with my daughter."

"Amen," Isabel replied seriously. She laid her hand on the woman's shoulder. "Be not alarmed. I mean well by her. Meantime, she shall visit you as often as you wish—every day, if you like. And now there is nothing more, I believe. My attorney shall pay your rent and give you your allowance. And so I wish for a speedy recovery to health and strength; you look better already. I shall hope to see you again before long. Now, farewell! Alice, you can come with me."

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Said Mrs. Brymer to her forewoman as the coach drove off:

"The girl will do her a mischief."

"The girl seems well behaved enough and well enough."

"You don't know what I know. Well, I sometimes wish that if these poor girls could sell their figures as they sell their hair, how much we could improve some of our customers—not Mrs. Weyland: her figure sets off any dress—her figure and her face. Well, we shall see. My opinion is that the girl will do Mrs. Weyland a mischief. Oh! I know what I know—a mischief!"

(To be continued.)

NEW SOUTH WALES WINE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the New South Wales Wine Association was held yesterday afternoon, in the Wine Kiosk, at the Agricultural Ground, for the purpose of tasting those wines that had won prizes at the recent show. Dr. Fiaschi (president of the association) occupied the chair, and there were also present Messrs. Hans W. H. Irvine (Victoria), James Hardy (South Australia), F. Cleland (South Australia), P. Hyland (South Australia), L. Frere (Albury), D. H. Valantine, W. A. Barlow, C. Plunkett, J. A. Lankester, P. Turner, J. Barrett, A. B. Holmes, G. Campbell, C. Tucker, R. S. Collum, E. A. Butcher, and others. Apologies were read from Messrs. H. Blunno (Government Viticulturist), and G. J. Frankland.

After the wines had been tasted the chairman, in proposing the toast of those exhibitors who had been successful in obtaining prizes, said the occasion was one full of instruction for those interested in wine-producing. They had had the opportunity of judging for themselves how far they would endorse the awards of the judges, and they would also be in a better position now to form a correct estimate of the proper standard in wines. It was an instructive privilege for which the association had long been fighting.

Mr. Hans W. H. Irvine (Victoria), in replying to the toast, said he entirely agreed with the chairman that the present occasion could not fail to have its useful lessons for them all. He, however, would have liked to see a larger gathering. He would have liked to see present all merchants interested in the wine industry so that they could judge of how far the Australian wine industry had improved. Replying to the charge made at the time of the show that fully 50 per cent. of the sherry exhibited was imported, and not Australian, he said that it was without foundation. For himself he regarded the charge as a compliment to the excellence of the sherry wines produced here. In New South Wales they were able to produce light, medium, and full-bodied wines owing to the fact that they had the requisite variety of soil. In his own State they were not so successful with the light wines, and some of their wine-makers were buyers in the New South Wales market for this class of wines.

The following is the list of wines tasted:—

Hock (champion prize): Hans W. H. Irvine, 1; H. J. Lindeman, 2. Hock (Government prize): H. J. Lindeman, 1 and 2. White wine, light dry, 1901 vintage: Hans W. H. Irvine, 1. Claret (champion prize): H. J. Lindeman, 1 and 2. Claret (Government prize): H. J. Lindeman, 1 and 2. Red wine, light dry, 1901 vintage: H. J. Lindeman, 1. Red wine, full-bodied dry, 1901 vintage: Hans W. H. Irvine, 1; Horn and Co., 2. Export prize (Government prize): Bosby Wine Company, 1; H. J. Lindeman, 2. White wine, full-bodied dry, 1901 vintage: Caldwell and Co., 1; Hans W. H. Irvine, 2. Sherry (champion prize): Caldwell and Co., 1; Hans W. H. Irvine, 2. Sherry (Government prize): H. J. Lindeman, 1; Brown, Jeske, and Co., 2. White wine, full-bodied, sweet, 1901 vintage: Hans W. H. Irvine, 1; H. J. Lindeman, 2. Port (champion prize): Caldwell and Co., 1; T. Hardy and Sons, 2. Port (Government prize): H. J. Lindeman, 1. Red wine, full-bodied sweet: Hans W. H. Irvine, 1; H. J. Lindeman, 2. Brandy (champion prize): Hans W. H. Irvine, 1; Adelaide Wine Company, 3.

THE ROCKS IN OLDEN DAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In a recent issue appears a letter from Mr. Edward Stack, about which I would like to say a few words. He denies that "the Rocks were the cradle of Australia." Settlement certainly took place there first for three reasons—the view obtained therefrom, the ease with which the light-timbered ground was cleared, and the facility for obtaining water from under the shelving sandstone rocks. Mr. Stack has named some of the residents at the north end of Cumberland-street, which ran from Church-hill to Dawes Point, and the Cumberland-place he mentions was simply the grounds of Sir William Burton. Bishop Broughton's (he was not here as an archdeacon) residence was at Darlinghurst. Archdeacon Scott occupied the house at the extreme north end. He afterwards became Government Astronomer. The fashionable boarding-school for young ladies, kept by Mrs. Tompkins, was there also. Mr. Stack says there can be no doubt about his statement that "Governor Phillip landed at Macquarie-place." I have strong, very strong, doubts, and will give the reasons why.

Those who knew Sydney Cove years ago will remember the large mud flat on the west side. At the head of it from this a sandy beach, dry at low water, ran along to the rocks at the foot of (now) Phillip-street. At high water there was about 3in. of water at the bank. This was the first obstacle Phillip would meet. Then, as is well known, ti-tree scrubs grew all round the harbour to the water's edge—so dense that a man could not walk upright for six yards nor a bandicoot run a straight line for 10; yet through this impassable barrier Phillip would have had to carry his flagstaff up to the place named, where the bush growth would have prevented it being seen from the ships.

Now I will tell why I otherwise doubt. In the twenties Mr. George Morris kept an hotel in George-street next to where the fire station is now. It was called The Australian. He had a family of three sons and three daughters. About 20 years ago I was walking past the Mariners' Church with the second son, when he suddenly stopped, pointed across to the water, and said, "That is where Governor Phillip landed and hoisted his flag." "How do you know that?" I said. He replied, "Some years ago we had a man in our employ who came out with the fleet, and used to tell us all about it, and pointed out the place of landing and where the flag was hoisted." In the twenties my parents occupied a house immediately opposite (Captain Piper, R.N., occupying the site). Directly Morris told this I remembered the flagstaff that I used to see daily in the south-east corner of the ground, a few feet from the edge of the bank, and which I have no doubt was either the one placed there by Phillip or one put in the same place by his brother sailor, Captain Piper. It was a properly made flagstaff, with lower and top masts, and yard across. When Captain Piper's house was removed with a view of building a custom-house on the site, the flagstaff was pulled down also, and went, I think, into the Government dockyard. There were no difficulties to overcome at the place of landing, and the flag would be in full view of the fleet as they lay broadside to it in the cove. The suggestion about Macquarie can be taken for what it is worth.

For these reasons I feel confident that Phillip no more landed or hoisted the flag on the locality than he did on Mount Kosciusko or Bathurst Plains, and the claim is nearly as absurd as that put forward for the slab and daub hut that stood where Vickery's fine buildings now are as having been Phillip's Government House, which absurdity arose from the fact of its having a tiled roof, the tiles being some that were left over after covering the School of Industry, which stood in the Domain, opposite Hunter-street, and which was built many years after Phillip's time, the surplus tiles being sold by the Government. Further, 14 years after Phillip landed there was not a single house or hut on the east side of Pitt Row (Pitt-street), and only about seven or eight on the west side.

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PROMINENCE OF SENATOR HANNA.

NEW YORK, April 5.

An interesting, and from some standpoints an amusing, feature in current American politics is the sudden prominence of Senator Hanna as a friend of labour. In the two M'Kinley campaigns Mr. Hanna, who was his nearest friend and his party manager, was held up to the people in the bitterest of invective as a "trust-baron" and a "monopolist." And he was, in fact, a rich man and a large employer of labour, although in a different class from the Rockefellers and Mr. Carnegie; and Mr. M'Kinley did no doubt lose many votes because his most ardent supporter was thus a minor millionaire. Even in Republican Ohio Mr. Hanna was elected senator by a single vote, although his party had a majority of several score members in the Legislature. But it is also literally true that before he entered politics Mr. Hanna was chief owner of a car-railroad, whose men, upon a memorable occasion, refused to go out with the men of the other lines because, as they said, they had always been treated fairly; and since he entered politics even the labour people, who thought he was too rich to be a really good man, have sought his services as a mediator and peace-maker. Thus it has come to pass that when Bishop Potter, an episcopalian dignitary representing the very wealthy, and Sam Gompers, the president of the Federation of Labour, and a number of intermediate or allied variations of opinion in regard to the world-old problem of capital and labour had come together and agreed always to work for, even if sometimes in vain, peace and goodwill, Senator Hanna was the one man selected as the president of this new Civic Federation of Labour. He was not so rich as not to fear oppression by men richer than himself; and as a politician he needed the one thing coveted by the rich that a poor man could give—a vote; and above and beyond all that, he had been the chosen confidant and friend of Mr. M'Kinley, who during a five years' possession of great power had never made even one enemy. If Hanna were simply greedy and conscienceless Mr. M'Kinley would not have thus trusted and loved him. But ambition is the infirmity even of noble minds, and it is just conceivable that Brother Hanna, having lost his position as the power behind Mr. M'Kinley, and having unexpectedly found that this, instead of spelling his political ruin, has really helped him as an individual, now dreams that he may himself become President. That he could get the Republican nomination would not be merely possible, but probable, for most of the 1100 men who will be delegates to the convention know him well and like him greatly. But nomination and election are, as Mr. Hanna knows well, two very different things. For the present he has with heat denied that he is for anyone but Mr. Roosevelt. But for all that two years hence his friends may perhaps persuade him to run. These are the two strings of his bow.

MR. ROOSEVELT AND THE TRUSTS.

Mr. Roosevelt has found already a counter-means of getting himself into the centre of the stage—perhaps a better one than Mr. Hanna has adopted, and one that Mr. Hanna could not, even if he wished, adopt—opposition to the trusts. Of course that is a policy that cannot be pushed to extremes. Some trusts are beneficent and correspondingly popular; others have both good points and bad; and some—only a few though—are utterly indefensible. The Morgan Steel Trust seems to be good, but another Morgan Trust, the Northern Securities Company, is of such a nature that the President recently peremptorily ordered the Attorney-General to bring a suit in respect of it. Mr. Morgan himself went to Washington to entreat the President not in this way to "tie up" a thousand millions of securities for months, or perhaps years—thereby, of course, spoiling the market for everything else as well. But the President was inflexible, taking the ground that if the trust were legal it would be worth the temporary present inconvenience to have its legality established, and if it were illegal, of course, Mr. Morgan, as a churchwarden of the most democratic of the New York churches, and a philanthropist who had voluntarily given away at least a tithe of his fortune to purposes that he believed to be worthy—would as a good citizen wish that fact to be known and respected. Still, all the influence of the President will be exerted as a matter of justice to Mr. Morgan and the thousands of other good men who are his constituents as financial clients, to have the disputed status of the company fixed one way or the other beyond cavil at the earliest possible date. Three days ago the President directed that the Beef Trust should also be brought to book. This Trust does not, like most other monopolies, owe its power to legislative enactments, but lives in undisputed supremacy simply because, it is alleged, the five men who have drawn into their own hands—in five separate concerns—the business of buying beeves on the hoof, dressing them and sending them as table-meat to the great Eastern cities and to Europe, "combined" to meet day by day and fix the price of their wares. Most of their profit at the outset came not from the meat itself, but from the bye-products of slaughtering, such as extract of beef, canned tongues and palates, blood-sausages, and even coarser outputs, such as the sweepings of the abattoir for fertilisers. Not a fraction of an ounce of the slain ox was wasted. But the thirst for profit, it is said, grew by what it fed upon, and of late the "combine" has slaked it by pushing up the price for dressed meat to the highest rate ever recorded. If, as is charged, there is an agreement thus to make in common a price for meat, the law terms that a "conspiracy in restraint of trade," and the men who so agree can be punished with a heavy fine and an imprisonment which, though not longer than one year, would brand them for ever with the mark of the penitentiary. Such a prosecution, instigated by the very chief magistrate of the land, if vigorously pressed—a matter as to which there are varying opinions—would be of absorbing interest, and its issue would settle once for all an ever-increasing class of cases. If not vigorously pressed, the President will be accused of having by intimidation forced this trust to change its attitude of hostility towards him, the trust possibly also at the same time, and as a condition of peace and an excuse for it, making its rates to the public more reasonable. But it is worth attention that the two great rivals for the Presidential succession in the dominant Republican party—Hanna (the surviving spirit of M'Kinley) and Roosevelt—select as the decisive issues of the hour, one the trusts, and the other what is commonly called the "labour problem"—this latter, however, consisting of so many really important interwoven separate strands that no politician, however shrewd, can pick out the one to claim as his own which will do him the most good. And it is hardly too much to say that all American political activity now circles around these two questions. About foreign policy there is practical unanimity; one hundred passers-by might be asked what should be done if Germany made a permanent landing on the continent, and everyone probably would give the same answer. At any sacrifice, the continent must be saved from the "militarism" of the old world. The tariff, too, for obvious reasons, has ceased to be a living question.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE STEEL INDUSTRY.

A new confusing issue springs from the branching out of the American trusts into trans-American lands. The Steel Trust, in its first year, has earned 111,000,000dol. net, and after paying dividends and setting aside 24,000,000dol. for a reserve, asks 50,000,000dol. more capital to buy, among other things, those Swedish mines whose ores, because of their freedom from phosphorus, make all ores with which they are fused of enormously greater potential value. If these mines are acquired, what will happen if the new owners refuse to sell their raw product to the iron men in other lands who have hitherto bought it and have come to rely upon it? There are other mines of the same kind in Spain—very necessary, and perhaps absolutely necessary, to nearly all workers in iron. If the Steel Trust "corners" the supply of all ore without which ordinary ore is comparatively valueless, would not a new chapter of international law have to be formulated? In England the Tobacco Trust has, by somewhat similar methods though upon a miniature scale, awakened the European imagination to the possibilities of modern life. In European enterprises the cost of administration is in American eyes simply ruinous, even though, in the typical American trust, the famous Charley Schwab, whom the King of England specially charged Sir Thomas Lipton to bring to him, gets a guarantee of a million sterling for five years' services and commissions. But the Schwab salary is an infinitesimal tax upon the profits of the enterprise, just 1 per cent., if last year's record holds good—and the succeeding years will probably be even more profitable—of the net income of the concern. The Ship Subsidy Bill has been halted because the men mainly interested doubt whether, just at this time, it is to their interest to disturb the international balance in the way of flags. For that is really all that it amounts to. The American iron mines are working to their full present capacity; but they cannot supply enough ore to satisfy the demand of the finished-plants for pig-iron and steel billets, and even the Steel Trust has been forced to buy raw material from Germany and from Scotland to help it to fill its contracts for the higher forms of products. Naturally, under such conditions, the country being unable to keep pace with its own land-needs in the way of structural iron, rails, locomotives, and finished work of all kinds, even though it is producing more raw iron and steel than any other single country—the inducement to embarrass the industry by an evidently unnecessary protection, which a subsidy to iron-built ships would certainly be, is plainly unneeded. For grant more protection to American-built ships and the bidders for finished iron would have a new and insistent rival and prices would flame up higher than ever. Still, when this most pertinacious prosperity-boom is over the American shipping interest will surely receive attention; indeed, the iron-men themselves, especially the Steel Trust, are looking forward to the time when a slackened demand will force them to take up a new line of goods—to wit, the American marine. Mr. Morgan, representing that trust, has already bought out enough European lines to cause a marked change in statistics whenever the transfer of the vessels to an American registry shall be made. And even if not made, although these foreign flagged vessels can be, in case of war, claimed by the Powers whose flags they fly—very properly, too, for those Powers spend great sums of money to protect them—yet their American owners, if duly patriotic, will see to it that the vessels, in case of need, are in a sympathetic harbour. Something of the same sort happened once before, when the secretaries of the Buchanan Democratic Cabinet placed nearly all national munitions of war where they would certainly fall into the hands of the Confederates.

SUPPRESSION OF DEBATING.

Never before were the debates in Congress so utterly inanimate. Speech-making, indeed, is fast becoming one of the lost arts. In the Senate there are occasionally brief interchanges of wit and wisdom among the assembled solons, but in the lower House, the Speaker rules with an iron hand, and permits absolutely nothing in the way of improvisation. The leaders of the two parties by agreement arrange upon the time to be given to any particular matter and then each leader apportions to his men the time to be allowed to them, and the Speaker calls those men up in order and refuses to recognise anybody else. That is an up-to-date Parliament, not a debating society, nor even, as Mr. Reed said, a "deliberative body," but a machine to record the instructions of the party caucus. Of course, some members sometimes try to kick over the traces; and when the party leaders fail to agree, Bedlam is let loose. Such an occasion occurred two weeks ago, but the Speaker was equal to the emergency. Ignoring everyone of the 50 men frantically yelling "Mr. Speaker!" he looked towards a man sitting with his head upon his breast, in deep thought, or perhaps asleep. "The member from Michigan!" he said. But the M. M. did not move until a neighbour nudged him, and was then astonished to hear "The member from Michigan moves that we do now adjourn—is the motion seconded?" And of course it was and declared carried, and, although the minority members jumped up on the desks and spluttered and cursed and made a great noise, business was over for the day. In the Senate, even, there have lately been several disgraceful episodes. The worst was a fist fight between two senators—a real fist fight, drawing blood from one and raising a door-knob upon the intellectual brow of another. Many political philosophers see in all this the final departure of the debating age in free institutions. The proper place for talk is before the people on the stump or at conventions, not in Congress, where every man is bound in honour to stick to his party or resign. The Nestor of the Senate is Mr. Allison, who has served six full terms and is re-elected for another—42 years in all—and in all his 40 years of service he has never allowed himself even once to be swerved from the strict path of party consistency. Even Demosthenes would despair of making an impression upon a mind so saturated with party spirit; and, if speaking can do no good, why speak? It will soon, too, become a physical impossibility to spare even the few hours now assigned for debate, for the bills introduced are many thousands in number, and even the reading of the titles absorbs much time. All the real work of Congress is, of course, done in committee, and very largely in secret and behind closed doors.

THE BORROWING OF MONEY.

All the financial wiseacres confess themselves to be utterly at fault. A panic has been long overdue, for the flurry a year ago, although it rattled down the prices of securities 30 per cent., failed to break a single bank and only a few small brokerage houses. But there are no signs of any such calamity. Prices have now entirely recovered, and in many cases are higher than before. No doubt, American prosperity has a firm basis in the ever-growing importance of the six millions of land-owners, who have always been the political and are now, unmistakably, also the financial backbone of the nation. The manufacturers and the merchants are well enough in their limited way; but after all, it is the "landed interest" that gives stability and character and tone to the government. This was first seen in a marked way at the time of the Venezuelan crisis, when the securities thrown overboard by European holders at panic rates were absorbed apparently without effort, while a new funding loan was taken in small amounts at more than the price realised a few months before. Lately, in New York city, the experiment has been made of issuing a loan with the unit of the bond as low as £2; and the result was, that the small bidders aggregated a great amount, but the great bidders, fearing to lose a good thing, bid more than five per cent. higher than the previously established rate. After the big firms thus got them, however, they are being distributed in small amounts at still higher prices, and a new scale of rates is being established. Of course, it costs the city more in trouble and book-keeping to borrow money thus in petty amounts—paying out as interest once a year 1s 6d each on the smallest bonds—but there is a moral gain in giving even the poorest citizen a chance to invest in the city funds.

THE TIMBER INDUSTRY.

THE QUESTION OF ROYALTY.

A meeting of the New South Wales Timber Industries' Association was held at the offices, City Bank-chambers, King and Sussex streets, on Wednesday. The president (Mr. R. A. Price, M.L.A.) was in the chair. There were present Messrs. W. S. Predder, R. M'C. Anderson, E. Ellis, A. Settree, G. De Franie, E. E. Michael, and J. C. Hickson, secretary.

Correspondence was received from the secretary of the Taxpayers' Union forwarding details regarding the constitution of the union. It was resolved that the association should join the union. It was also decided that the association should register under the Industrial Arbitration Act. A letter was received from the Under-Secretary for Lands upon the subject of royalties being collected upon the basis of the output at the sawmills throughout the State. The letter pointed out that it would require fresh legislation to enable the royalty to be demanded on timber cut from private lands, and, further, the system that the Timber Industries' Association proposed would still necessitate the operation of foresters in the field; though it might to some extent decrease the number, they would not cease to exist altogether, consequently two different systems would be in vogue at one and the same time. The letter was received, and after discussion it was resolved to adhere to the system already suggested, viz., that the royalties should be collected and paid at the various sawmills, which was considered the best and cheapest manner of collecting. A discussion took place upon the appointments made to the Forest Advisory Board by the Government. Notwithstanding the proposal of the association that a conference should take place between six members of the Timber Industries' Association and representatives of the Government to consider the question of forestry regulations the Government had appointed six gentlemen to constitute the board. It was considered that a practical man—representative of the association—should also be added to the advisory board. The meeting decided to wait upon the Premier (Mr. J. See, M.L.A.), and the Minister for Lands (Mr. W. P. Crick, M.L.A.), with a view of inducing the Government to carry out the wishes of the association. It was decided to open branches of the association in the country for the purposes of obtaining information on matters of local importance connected with the trade. It was agreed to forward a circular to the various progress associations, pointing out the necessity for proper practical forestry laws being introduced upon the lines suggested by the conference of October, 1900. A resolution was carried agreeing to arrange for a conference between representatives of the association, the city architects, and the Master Builders and Contractors' Association at an early date to consider the question of new laws for the improvement of forestry.

LIVER CURED.—Mr. Francis Anthony, 17 Stafford-street, Abbotsford, Vic., says: "I have been a sufferer from liver complaint, and have tried many remedies without success. Some months ago I commenced to take a course of WARNER'S SAFE CURE, and am gratified to say that I am now quite free from all the pains to which I had hitherto been subject."—Advt.

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LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, MAY 8.

SUPREME COURT.—IN BANCO.

(Before Mr. Justice Stephen, Mr. Justice Owen, and Mr. Justice Cohen.)

A POSTPONEMENT.

Re R. D. Meagher.

This application on the part of the applicant to be reinstated as a solicitor was postponed until next week, as Mr. Reid, who was retained in the matter, was absent from town.

A REAL PROPERTY MATTER.

Re Thomas Broughton (M. J. Lachaume, caveator).

The Attorney-General (Mr. Wise, K.C.) and Mr. Mann, instructed by Mr. H. R. Way, appeared for the executors of the will of the late Thomas Broughton, of Bondi, who had applied to bring certain land at Bondi, on which the Aquarium stands, under the provisions of the Real Property Act, and moved for an order that the applicant was the party finally successful, or to settle issues. Dr. Cullen and Mr. Canaway, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson, appeared for the caveatrix, Margaret Jane Lachaume, to oppose the application.

Mr. Wise admitted that if the caveat was good there must, at any rate, be one issue for trial, but the Act required that the caveat must set out the ground of title. The caveatrix claimed only as the owner in fee simple, and the question was whether that was sufficient.

The Court, after hearing the case stated for both parties, settled the issues for trial, namely:—1. Has applicant a good documentary title to the land claimed. 2. Has the caveatrix a good documentary title to the land claimed. 3. Whether the title by applicant or his predecessor in title has been destroyed by 20 years' possession by caveatrix prior to the date of the caveat. Applicant to be plaintiff and issues to be tried before a jury.

THE QUESTION OF BREAKING SEALS ON STORES.

APPLICATION FOR A PROHIBITION.

A QUESTION OF JURISDICTION.

Baxter v. Oesselmann.

Mr. Pilcher, K.C., and Dr. Sly, instructed by Mr. H. H. B. Bradley (of Messrs. Bradley and Son), appeared for Ernst August Oesselmann, master of the German steamer Prinz Regent Luitpold, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi by which Charles Newton Payten, S.M., and John Baxter, Collector of Customs for the Federal Government, had been called upon to show cause why a writ of prohibition should not issue to restrain them from further proceeding upon an order made by the magistrate named on December 23 last. The Attorney-General (Mr. Wise, K.C.), and Mr. Garland, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for respondent Baxter to oppose the application. It appeared that the present applicant was charged upon an information setting out that on December 18 last the Prinz Regent Luitpold entered the port of Sydney, within the Commonwealth of Australia, with a seal broken without authority; that the seal had been duly placed by the officer upon a place for the purpose of securing stores upon the said ship after the arrival of the ship at Melbourne from ports beyond the seas, the ship being then bound to another port within the said Commonwealth, namely, Sydney. Defendant pleaded not guilty, subject to the question of jurisdiction, and in his evidence he stated that he was born in Germany, and was a subject of the German Empire and an alien in this country. On his arrival in Australia he purchased free goods, or goods on which duties had been paid, to the value of £500. He should say that he purchased these goods up to the time of leaving Melbourne. These free goods were locked up by the Customs. After leaving Melbourne, and when over three and a half miles outside Port Phillip Heads, he broke the seal. He had to break the seal, otherwise he would have been without food for his passengers and crew. He had on board 440 persons all told. In reply to Mr. Garland, who appeared for the prosecutor, defendant said that in the place where the Customs officer had placed the seal he had goods brought from Germany, and which were dutiable. It was on the high seas, and not in any bay or port. At the close of the evidence Mr. Bradley, who appeared for the defendant, asked for a dismissal of the information on the following grounds:—1. That, by the express words of the Commonwealth Act, the defendant was exempted from the operation of any laws passed by the Commonwealth. 2. That, even if the Customs Act be generally binding upon the defendant, then under section 192 no offence had been committed, for the reason that, if it be no offence to break seals on the high seas, it was no offence to enter a port with seals broken. The points were, however, overruled and defendant was convicted and fined £10. In default of payment it was ordered that he be imprisoned until the fine was paid, such imprisonment to be subject to the provisions of section 260 of the Customs Act of 1901. Costs amounting to £10 10s were allowed, and defendant subsequently paid the fine under protest and without prejudice to his rights. A rule absolute was now moved for on the grounds already set out, and also on the ground that the case ought to have been dismissed, because the information disclosed no offence against section 192 of the Federal Customs Act.

The Attorney-General took the preliminary objection that a State Court could not issue a prohibition to any Court exercising Federal jurisdiction. The police court where the case was heard was sitting in Sydney as a Federal Court, and he submitted that by section 71 of the Commonwealth Constitution Act under no circumstances whatever had the State Court the slightest control over any Court exercising Federal jurisdiction or any officer of it. He denied the power of the State Court in this respect for two reasons, first because the underlying foundation of the power to issue a prohibition was that the prerogative of the Crown was interfered with by the wrongful exercise of jurisdiction, and secondly, on the principle of comity. American authorities showed that State Courts could under no circumstances interfere with a Federal Court even where a writ of habeas corpus was applied for in respect of a person wrongfully arrested by a Federal Court. English authorities gave a tacit assent to that proposition. Even our local Parliament had no power to pass an Act to interfere with the Federal Judicature, and if it did pass such an Act it would be unconstitutional, and no State Court could give effect to it.

Mr. Pilcher, in reply, said that in the United States they had no provision like the 71st section of the Commonwealth Constitution Act nor the 248th section of the Federal Customs Act, and while by the 248th section of the Customs Act they gave State Courts federal jurisdiction for certain purposes they retained the right to test the decisions of those Courts under the same Act.

At 4 o'clock the further hearing was adjourned to the following day.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before the Chief Judge in Equity, Mr. A. H. Simpson.)

A DECEASED ESTATE.

White v. Vaughan.

Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Messrs. Lambton, Milford, and Abbott, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. A. R. Watt, instructed by Mr. Quinlan, appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff in this suit was Ellen White, of Abercrombie-street, Redfern, widow, administratrix of the estate of Patrick Davoren, deceased; and the defendant was May Vaughan, of Edward-street, Redfern. The suit was brought to ascertain what was the amount of, and to obtain from the defendant, the balance of the purchase money received by her upon a sale of certain property which defendant purported to sell as mortgagee on account of the default of the mortgagor.

His Honor made a decree that an account be taken of the proceeds of the sale received by the plaintiff, the defendant, on such amount, to be allowed all sums paid by her as interest on the mortgage since February, 1898. The defendant is to pay costs of the suit up to the end of the first day, no order being made as to costs after that. His Honor reserved further consideration of the case.

MOTION FOR DIRECTIONS.

(Before Mr. Justice Walker.)

Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson, appeared for the official liquidator, Mr. L. T. Lloyd, in an application for directions concerning the Australasian Timber Company. The company was an English one which went into voluntary liquidation in England and compulsory liquidation in New South Wales.

The Master certified that the assets in England and New South Wales were sufficient to pay a dividend of 18s 4d in the £. A sum of 10s had already been paid to the creditors here and in England. The official liquidator had more than enough to pay 8s 4d in the £ to the creditors here, while the liquidator in England was short to the extent of £538. On behalf of Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Knox asked for leave to remit to the English liquidator the sum of £538, so that the creditors in England should receive an equal dividend.

His Honor granted the application.

IN DIVORCE.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson.)

A JUDGMENT DELIVERED.

Bianchi v. Bianchi.

His Honor delivered his reserved judgment in this suit, which was one by Alice Mary Bianchi for a dissolution of her marriage with Edward Bianchi, on the ground of desertion. The point which his Honor took time to consider was as to the question of the respondent's domicile, and he now said that he had come to the conclusion that the husband had been domiciled here. He found on the evidence in favour of the petitioner, and granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months, petitioner to have the custody of the child and respondent to pay the costs of the suit.

DECREE NISI.

Soren Espeland v. Caroline Espeland. In this suit, which was one for dissolution of marriage on the ground of desertion, his Honor on the findings of Judge Gibson at the last Broken Hill Circuit Court, granted a decree nisi. The decree was made returnable in three months.

DECREES ABSOLUTE.

His Honor made absolute the decrees nisi in the following suits, and declared the marriages dissolved:—Florence Leonora Batty v. John Thomas Batty; Angelina Ferneyhough v. James Ferneyhough, Clara Schmidt v. Richard August Carl Ludwig Schmidt, Albert Purnell v. Martha Purnell, Ada Catherine Johnson v. Robert Henry Johnson, Ellen Bailey v. Thomas Bailey, Louisa Matilda Collison v. Alfred Andrew Collison, Josephine Cochrane v. James Cochrane, Margaret Davison v. Catherine Davison, Ruth Catherine Nightingale v. Frederick Nightingale, Leonora Hartt v. Edwin Glinnie Hartt, Mary Ann Toomes v. Richard Edward Toomes, William Robert Raymond v. Ellen Raymond, Margaret Clayton v. Thomas Patrick Clayton, Elizabeth Saxby Wilson v. Henry Wilson, Annie Elizabeth Byrne v. Rupert James Byrne, Mary Ann Dow v. John Dow, Joseph Skinner v. Rosina Ann Skinner, Ada Shaw v. Bernard Cecil Shaw, Sarah Edgar v. William Edgar, Elizabeth Grace v. Arthur Edward Grace, and George Willoughby Dowse v. Alice Mary Dowse.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re William David Jackson. A certificate was ordered to issue.

MOTION FOR RELEASE.

Re William George Vial. Adjourned to the 15th instant.

MOTION TO RESCIND OR VARY ORDER.

Re Joseph Thomas. This was a motion to rescind or vary an order under section 61. The Registrar made the order as asked after bankrupt had been examined.

MOTION UNDER SECTION 61.

Re Frederick Davies. The bankrupt at a single meeting offered to pay £2 a month, and consented to an order being made to that effect. The Registrar said he proposed to make an order for £2 a month, the first payment to be made on June 1.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re Matthew Moreau. The meeting was closed, and the public examination was declared concluded.

Re Herman Rudolf Martel. The examination was declared concluded.

Re Jane Henrietta Duffy. The meeting was closed and the public examination was declared concluded.

Re Lewis Snelling. The public examination was adjourned.

Re James Kellick. The bankrupt, in his examination, said he had never been bankrupt before, and had never assigned his estate. His bankruptcy was caused by losses in the City and Suburban Coal Company, which he went into in 1890. He was one of the original shareholders and took up 500 shares up to 10s. At that time he was worth about £18,000 over his liabilities. He had carried on a tobacconist business and cricketing depot in King-street, and had been bookmaking. Subsequently he was compelled to file his schedule. On the application of the official assignee the examination was adjourned till the 22nd instant.

EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 33.

Re Jane Henrietta Duffy. Adjourned till the 15th instant.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Friday, May 9.

Before the Chief Clerk.—White v. White, Kenna co-respondent, 10.15; Bendall v. Davies, 10.30.

Chamber List, at 9.30 a.m.—Todd v. Price, special case; in re Paul Marks and another, caveators, to remove caveat.

Term List.—For judgment: Lukey v. Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners. Motions: Ex parte Ernest A. Oesselmann, prohibition (part heard). Demurrer: Tait v. the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales. District Court appeal: Denham v. Fuller and others.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, at 11 a.m.—Creditors' petitions: The Berrima Farming and Dairy Company, Limited, and Louis Uhde v. John Burrowes King; Ninian Miller Thompson and Edwin Charles Gutridge, trading as Mauri Bros. and Thompson, v. A. A. Woodcroft. Re Fallon Brothers, public examination. Examinations section 30: Ellen Moore, Fallon Brothers. Before the Chief Clerk, at 10 a.m.—Re Alverson E. Collier, taxation of petitioning creditors' and official assignee's costs; at 10.30 a.m., re Bella Collie, taxation of petitioning debtor's costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Probate Judge.—At 10.30: Motions for probates and administrations, motions to pass accounts and for commissions, motions to sell real estate, miscellaneous motions. Before the Deputy Registrar.—To pass accounts: James Maloney, 10.45; Frances Gornell, 10.50; Bridget Donovan, 10.55; Edward J. Maher, 11; Thomas R. B. Mayne, 11.10; Ellen E. Pulsen, 11.15; Gibson Risk, 11.20; G. B. Modini, 11.30.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally. Bland v. Durham, motion for decree; City Mutual Life Assurance Company of Australia v. Adamson, originating summons; re Estate of Reuben Uther and Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, petition for power to lease; the Australian and New Zealand Mortgage Company, Limited, v. the Conoble Pastoral Company, Limited, and the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, motion for decree; re Will of David Taylor and Trustee Act, 1898, part 2, motion for appointment of new trustees; Hunt v. Hunt, originating summons; Union Bank v. York, motion for order nisi for foreclosure.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Company and lunacy matters. At 12 noon: A. Shadler and Co., Limited, for directions; Sproule v. Sproule, to settle claims. At 12.30 p.m.: Ennocurt and others v. Elliott, to settle minutes of order. At 2 p.m.: Shoalhaven Co-operative Society, Limited, to adjudicate on debts and claims; Connelly v. Fitzpatrick, to settle minutes of order; Price v. Bull, to settle minutes of order; Gilchrist v. Chisholm, to settle minutes of order; re Garrick and Conveyancing and L. of P. Act, to settle minutes of order. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 2 p.m.: Re John Carr, deceased (Minister for Public Works and Buckland), to tax costs; same, to tax costs.

DISTRICT COURT.—Friday, May 9.

(Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 10 a.m.)

Motions generally: Board of Water Supply and Sewerage v. Wadey, Rosser v. Branton, Dempsey v. Churchill, Greatorex v. Davis, Waters and another v. Cottier, Reid v. Farnsworth, Bland v. Hanson.

(Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court, at 10.30 a.m.)

Adams ats. Wilson.

POLICE COURTS.

Alleged Breaking and Entering and Stealing.—In the Charge Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, D.S.M., Thomas M'Credie, 27, labourer, was charged with, in company, breaking and entering the workshop of Messrs. Bramwell and Vincent, engineers, of Hay-street, Sydney, and stealing therein one brass corner smoother, one brass up-set, one brass arm-smoother, one half-inch steel cleaner, one steel flange tool, one cast iron pipe smoother, the property of William J. H. Richards; also one ¾-inch steel cleaner and one brass up-set, the property of John Bramwell; also one pair of boots, the property of Charles Vincent, on April 19. The accused was further charged with having on the same date stolen three flange tools, one up-set, one bede trowel, one pendulum, one file, one square, three cleaners, three moulders' tools, the property of Charles Vincent; also a quantity of tools, the property of William Richards, Henry Bunting, John Bramwell, Henry Lewis, Harold Bramwell, and James M'Gregor. Accused was committed for trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions on May 26. Bail was not applied for.

Obstructing the Carriage-way.—In the Charge Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, D.S.M., Thomas Griffiths, 28, dealer, was proceeded against on a charge of placing a vehicle on the carriage-way of Devonshire-street longer than necessary for loading and unloading, and not immediately removing the same when required by a police constable, and did not continue and keep the same removed. A fine of 10s, or in default 48 hours' imprisonment, was inflicted.

Receiving Stolen Property.—In the Central Charge Court yesterday before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, D.S.M., Mary Mallon, 30, widow, was proceeded against on a charge of receiving two dresses, valued at £2, the property of Florence Genotte, on April 29, knowing the same to have been stolen. Accused pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

Malicious Damage.—In the Charge Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, D.S.M., Victor Scalabrina, 34, fruiterer, an Italian, was charged with maliciously injuring a glass door, the property of Moy Ping, doing damage to the extent of 20s. Defendant was ordered to pay the amount of the damage, together with a fine of 5s and 10s interpreter's fee, or in default 14 days' imprisonment.

Stealing Rat Traps.—In the Central Charge Court yesterday James Miller, aged 14 years, was charged with stealing two rat traps, valued at 1s, the property of James Marshall, on April 23. A fine of 5s, or 48 hours' imprisonment in the cells, was imposed.

Committed for Trial.—At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., James Easson, 35, cab driver, was charged with having in company assaulted Charles Kennington and robbed him of £4, a seaman's discharge, and a luggage ticket on April 27. Accused was committed for trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions. Bail was allowed. At the same court Mark Hart was committed for trial on a charge of stealing property valued at £3 from Ellis's Coffee Palace.

ABORIGINAL CHILDREN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Some time ago, and lately, it was recorded in the daily press that objection had been taken by parents of white children to the admission of aboriginal children into the Public schools. In my early life I was a boarder at the Normal Institution, conducted by the Rev. Henry Carmichael, and assisted by the late Mr. Michael Fitzpatrick, afterwards Minister for Lands.

With me, and other white boys, was John Bungarree, an aboriginal. He proved to be most intelligent. He was a skilled penman, and would have put to shame, in this particular, many young men of the present day.

It is to be hoped that the Minister will disregard these objections, for the aborigines are entitled to receive at our hands every consideration and kindness that can be shown to them. I am, &c.,

May 8. AN OLD COLONIST.

THE SHEARING SEASON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It seems almost incredible that a body of men who have the interest of the pastoral and agricultural industry at heart can deliberately fix such an absurd rate of wages for shed hands at shearing time. I have waited for some abler writer to take this matter up and point out the unfairness.

Thirty shillings a week with board or 8s a day and find themselves seems a little too warm. The country only a short time ago was up in arms with our Minister for Works for fixing 7s per day minimum wage, but here is a body (which of course only represents a certain number of pastoralists) fixing it at 8s. I venture to say that I voice the large majority of the pastoral and agricultural industry throughout this State when I say that the Arbitration Court's decision would be the most acceptable. Let representatives meet and lay their case fairly and fully before that Court and loyally abide the decision. This appears to me the fairest and most straightforward way, and I trust that before the busy season comes on that we shall have the decision of that Court.

I am, &c.,

May 8. MERINO.

THE DRINK—PAR EXCELLENCE
Fry's Cocoa. Be sure you get Fry's.—Advt.

DON'T LOOK OLD.
With advancing years greyness increases. Stop this with Lockyer's Sulphur Hair Restorer, which darkens to the former colour and preserves the appearance. Lockyer's Restorer is made in England only.—Advt.

For Bronchial Coughs take Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

THE SYDNEY KINDERGARTENS.

EXTENSION OF THE SYSTEM.

A largely attended meeting was held on Wednesday at Crows' Nest, the town residence of Dr. John Hay, for the purpose of establishing a free kindergarten at North Sydney in connection with the Kindergarten Union of New South Wales. The meeting was held under the presidency of Mrs. Cocks, M.A., and amongst those who delivered addresses were Mrs. Professor Anderson and Mrs. Dane and Rabbi Landau.

Mrs. Anderson said that in Sydney there were many little children who lisped foul language, unwilling to believe that the evils of lying, thieving, and blasphemy were not wrong. These were the children whom the kindergarten classes were established to reform, and to teach that in life there were purity and nobleness. They wished to reclaim poor little children from vicious homes and criminal surroundings, and make good citizens of them.

Rabbi Landau moved,—"That a branch of the Kindergarten Union be formed, to be called the North Sydney Kindergarten Association, and that a free kindergarten school for the poorer children of North Sydney be established not later than the next quarter, and that an executive committee be formed, consisting of Mesdames John Hay, Cocks, Davidson, Thompson, Miss Liggins and Miss Brown." He said that branches should be established in all the populous suburbs, inasmuch as in all places where there was an extensive population there were also extensive poverty and vice. Sydney and its environments possessed a population of half a million of souls, and less than 200 children were at the present time brought under the influence of the kindergarten movement. Hence the work was still in its very infancy. Although the method pursued in kindergarten work was due to the inspiration of Froebel, still its development in all countries was due to the influence of woman, chief among whom was Mrs. Sarah B. Cooper, of San Francisco. The great and imperishable work of America was its recognition that the true prosperity of the country was based upon the moral up-bringing of the children. At present kindergarten teachers were imported almost exclusively from America, but he trusted that presently through the establishment of a training centre in Roslyn Gardens they should be able to do their share in educating teachers for this country and elsewhere. It was said that Australians possessed some of the characteristics of the Americans. It was to be hoped that they would emulate America's example by doing their share in the moral uplifting and regeneration of vicious children. Rabbi Landau paid an enthusiastic tribute to the work of those Sydney ladies who had originated our local kindergartens, and said that kindergarten training was preferable to the ordinary school training, inasmuch as the former trained the whole child morally, physically, and intellectually, while the latter had regard chiefly to its intellectual powers. The free kindergartens of Sydney were doing redemptive work. It was a work of the salvation of children and might be regarded as the truest political economy. If the movement were widespread it would result in the closing up of all prisons, reformatories, and training ships, inasmuch as it would prevent in the seed the development of evil. They were sometimes recommended to use the lash for the suppression of larrikinism. A better and nobler and a more civilising method of reducing this evil would be to train the child in the path of rectitude in accordance with the principles of kindergarten work. He gave as a concrete instance of the results of the work of kindergartens in Sydney the case of a boy 7 years of age, who was constantly found gambling with vicious companions up till 11 o'clock at night, and showed how, by gradual stages, that boy had been reclaimed until now he was a useful citizen earning an honest livelihood. He then traced the stages by which unpromising crude material which entered the Sydney kindergartens was converted into useful and honest citizens, and asked that after their entrance into Public schools the children should not be wholly withdrawn from the influence of kindergartens. One of the principles of kindergarten work was to bring out the individuality of the child and to help him to think for himself. In these days of anarchism, nihilism, and revolutionary socialism, when men frequently resorted to violent crimes at the instigation of their leaders, one of the greatest of their pressing requirements was the training and development of individual character. He urged those present to form the proposed kindergarten, and said that thereby they would promote the virtue and develop the intelligence of the poor children, and would enable them to establish homes on nobler lines than their parents were enabled to do.

The motion was seconded by the Rev. W. H. Ash and agreed to.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS, M.U.

ANNUAL MOVABLE COMMITTEE.

THIRD DAY'S SITTINGS.

The forty-fifth session of the grand annual movable committee of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, M.U., was continued at the Manchester Unity Hall, Elizabeth-street, yesterday. Bro. P. F. A. Kinna (Grand Master) presided, and called the session to order at 10 a.m.

The discussion upon the report of the delegates to the Friendly Societies' Association was resumed.

Bro. John Galvin said he trusted the delegates assembled would consider the matter under discussion in all seriousness. The amendment desiring the M.U. to withdraw from the Friendly Societies' Association was of the utmost importance. On the previous day, not knowing sufficient of the objects of the association, he took occasion to inquire, and from the explanation given by the Grand Secretary he felt that the association was one that deserved their support.

Bro. H. Cox (Grand Master-elect) considered the question under discussion of vital importance. He would not bring the A.N.A. into the matter, as from what he knew of the working of this body in the Balmain district he had no fear of it overlapping or overreaching the M.U. (Hear, hear.) Speaking of the Friendly Societies' Association, he thought the M.U. should stick to it and make it better. All the intelligence on friendly societies was not in the M.U. (Hear, hear.) Referring to the British Medical Association trouble with the A.N.A., he assured the delegates that the trouble would not stop at this. If the B.M.A. defeated the A.N.A., they would then go on and tackle the M.U. and other societies.

Bro. A. Hacker favoured combination, and opposed the amendment. He considered their Grand Secretary, as hon. secretary of the Friendly Societies' Association, was the right man in the right place. (Hear, hear.)

Bro. J. Burns said he had watched the progress of the Friendly Societies' Association for some considerable time, and after the explanation given by Bro. Kemp on the previous day he thought the M.U. should be strongly represented in the association.

Bro. H. N. Howe asked the Grand Master how the A.N.A. were going to be "thrown out of the boat."

Bro. J. Gardner, in reply, said there was no mention of it in the report under discussion.

A motion by Bro. J. Souter,—"That the question be now put,"—was lost.

After further discussion, and Bro. Gardner having replied, the amendment was put to the vote and declared lost.

The motion for the adoption of the report was then put and carried by a large majority.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' ASSOCIATION.

The following were elected delegates to the Friendly Societies' Association:—Bros. T. Kemp, J. Galvin, C. Still, and F. Johnson.

Bros. J. S. Swainson moved,—"That it be an instruction to the delegates from this society to the Friendly Societies' Association to support any movement having for its object the removal from representation of any society whose semi-political objects are considered inimical to the best interests of bona fide friendly societies."

Bro. W. H. Austin seconded the motion, which was carried.

It was decided to subscribe the sum of £1 to the funds of the Friendly Societies' Association.

INTER-STATE CONFERENCE.

Bro. J. Gardner submitted a lengthy printed report of the proceedings of the inter-state conference of representatives of the Manchester Unity from the various States of the Commonwealth of Australia held at Melbourne in May, 1901.

After a lengthy discussion the report, with slight amendments, was approved.

A vote of thanks was passed to Bros. H. Cox, T. Kemp, J. Gardner, and A. Kethel for their efforts towards promoting the reciprocity of the M.U. at the conference of officers. It was resolved that the officers be the representatives to attend any inter-state conference that may take place during the coming year.

Bro. J. Gardner moved,—"That in the opinion of this grand annual movable committee it is desirable to pursue the matter of federal reciprocity, and that delegates be appointed with a view of carrying out the same."

Bro. F. Johnson seconded the resolution, which was carried.

Bro. T. Kemp (Grand Secretary) introduced to the session Mr. G. F. Clarke, Grand Secretary, and Bro. Gilder, Grand Trustee Independent Order of Oddfellows, and Bros. A. T. Telfer and G. Lane.

The Grand Master welcomed each of the visitors, who subsequently returned thanks.

Several matters connected with individual lodges were agreed to, and at 5 p.m. the session adjourned until 11 a.m. to-day.

SYDNEY INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

The eighth annual general meeting of the Sydney Institute of Public Accountants was held on Wednesday evening in the library-room, 16 O'Connell-street, a good number of members being present. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the president (Mr. William Cullen Ward) the chair was occupied by the vice-president (Mr. F. N. Yarwood).

The report of the council and the accounts as printed were submitted and adopted, and Messrs. J. E. Bowes, C. T. Starkey, and W. H. Perry were re-elected members of the council for the ensuing three years; Mr. D. H. Gilfillan was also re-elected auditor for the ensuing year.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the council and the hon. secretary.

A SECRET.
The secret of PEARS' SOAP is that it has no excess of alkali in it. No matter how much you may use it, you cannot roughen the skin with it.—Advt.

WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD.

PROSPECT PUMPING PLANT.

A VISIT OF INSPECTION.

The weekly meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage was held yesterday, the president (Mr. J. Garrard) being in the chair. It was reported that the revenue collected from July 1 last to May 3 was £258,867 18s 7d as against £281,628 9s 2d during the same period of the previous year, or a decrease of £22,760 10s 7d. The average daily consumption of water last week from the Prospect reservoir was 18,789,000 as against 15,811,000 gallons during the same period of last year, and 21,809,000 gallons during the week ended April 26. The president announced that there was still four weeks' supply by gravitation from the reservoir. The quantity of water discharged from the Manly storage reservoir last week averaged 236,908 gallons daily as against 167,749 gallons during the previous week.

A return was submitted showing that last week 119 yards of watermains had been laid and 395 yards cleaned. The total length laid since July 1 last was 37 miles 1025 yards. During the same period 535 yards of sewers were constructed, making a total length since July 1 of 21 miles 1640 yards. Authority was given to the engineer-in-chief to carry out, under the compulsory clauses of the Act, the drainage of 200 houses in the borough of St. Peters and 139 premises in the borough of Willoughby.

A report was submitted by the resident engineer at Prospect, in which he stated that the main engine for the pumping plant was well forward, and would be completed in a few days. The flume had been extended to the canal, and the connections to the 48in. main and pump deliveries were nearing completion.

The engineer-in-chief presented a report requesting authority to continue relining and strengthening the upper canal at the covered way, Mount Annan, and at 23 miles. He pointed out that there was a balance of about £3900 from the vote of £18,000 for strengthening the canal. The resident engineer had reported that he would like to concrete the line about six chains from the covered way, Mount Annan, to the sandstone patching. That portion was shale in bad order, and he thought the present a splendid opportunity to complete the work. The cost would be about £600. At 23 miles there was 876ft. of top to do, which would cost about £600. That would leave £700 to carry on as far as possible at 29 miles, where there were 1866ft. of top to go on. He recommended that the first work should be taken in hand at once, but the other works should be done in rotation, as far as available funds would permit. After discussion the recommendation was approved.

At the close of the meeting the members paid a visit to North Sydney where the various works under the control of the board were inspected. A visit was first made to the proposed site for a reservoir on the Military-reserve, near Cross-street, after which the members proceeded to the junction of the Military and Spit roads, where an alternative site was viewed. The sewerage outfall works were next visited where the whole of the plant was seen in operation. The Chatswood outfall sewerage works, and the septic tanks were examined, and the party was driven through the town, and down the Mowbray-road to the Lane Cove River, where the rising main from Ryde to Chatswood crosses. At that spot the Public Works Department are constructing a foot bridge which will also carry the duplicate lines of pipes. The Chatswood Pumping Station and Reservoir were visited, and the party drove to Sydney. The new members of the board expressed themselves as very pleased with what they had seen of the works.

LAKE VIEW CONSOLS.

REPORT OF THE EXPERTS.

KALGOORLIE, Thursday.

The full report of Messrs. Bewick, Moreing, and Co.'s experts, Messrs. Feldtman, Hoover, and Pritchard, on the Lake View Consols mine has been handed to the press for publication. The report states that there are within the property three principal lodes, known as the Lake View lode, the Great Boulder Perseverance lode, and the East lode. The operations of the company, however, have been practically entirely limited to the exploration of the Lake View lode, which is declared to be the only one so far proved to be productive on the property. This ore body is described by the experts to be one of the strongest and most continuous and best defined lodes on the Kalgoorlie field, extending northward from the Lake View South through the Lake View Consols and Great Boulder Perseverance mines into the South Kalgurli, giving a total length of over 5000ft., of which 2400ft. lie within the Lake View Consols. The lode varies in width from 20 to 30ft., and, in places, much under. The deepest point to which it has been proved is in the mine, where at the 1000ft. level it is strong and well defined. Within the lode occur regularly shaped, high-grade bodies of ore, and the lode on the outside of the confined limits of these rich ore bodies is not, under existing or, say, probable future conditions, of a payable nature. The greater proportion of gold in the sulphide ore has up to now occurred in the form of tellurides. The two main ore bodies, known as the northern and southern, in the Lake View lode have been proved to a depth of 300ft. and 600ft. respectively. They have yielded to date 310,000 tons, or 650,000oz. of gold, an average of over 2oz. per ton. Incorporated in this return are large quantities of rich ore, exceeding 10oz. gold to the ton. 10,000 tons of 15oz. ore were extracted from one circumscribed patch at the 300ft. level. These are the two most productive ore bodies. The other lodes are disconnected. The Great Boulder Perseverance lode has so far failed to furnish any profitable ore within the Lake View Consols ground. The exploratory work done on this lode is comparatively insignificant, and indicates that possibilities were very far from exhausted. The East lode has been tested by numbers of bore holes and crosscutting at the 127ft. and 500ft. levels. No valuable ore, however, has been located except on the surface, where a small quantity of oxidised ore of the value of 15dwt. was extracted. The apparently disquieting fact that barren ground has been disclosed under the main ore bodies is not regarded by the experts as any harbinger of the final cutting out of values in depth. This opinion is based on the fact that no genuine change in geological conditions is observable in depth, and there are absolutely no signs of any alteration in the conditions which would in the least tend to weaken the well-grounded conviction that the ore bodies will prove to be continuous in depth. The presence of a good deal of blocky ground in the lower levels, which was used as an argument in support of imaginary changes in the geological condition, is explained by the experts to be due to the fact that much of the driving in depth has been done in country rock instead of in the lode. The feeling of disappointment at the state of the property at present is attributed by the experts largely to the exaggerated estimate formed when the mine's rich Bonanza ore body at No. 3 level was adopted as the standard of future values. Any feeling of anxiety as to the future should, in their opinion, be on a basis as to how soon the barren or poor zones should be passed. The total footage of crosscutting and driving done in the mine up to the time of the experts' inspection is estimated at 25,650ft. One of the earliest results of the inspection was the discovery that in several of the levels long stretches had been driven in country rock in place of on the line of lode. Such plan of campaign has, beyond defining the trend of the lode in several doubtful places, met with but an indifferent measure of success. The mine's ore resources are estimated at 50,430 tons, valued on December 23 at 6dwt., average assay value per ton. This will be further reduced by about 2dwt. loss in the tailings, giving an estimated average nett yield on December 21 of 6dwt. In addition to the above reserves large quantities of low-grade ore bodies exist, but the opinion of the experts is that the most sanguine anticipations of economies to be effected in the processes of working costs generally, hardly justify the hope of ever making such ore pay. Apart altogether from the probabilities of finding new ore bodies the prospects of immediate additions to the reserves are, according to the experts, none the less certain for being undeterminable as to quantity, a discovery of what is termed "immediately prospective reserves," is confidently expected by the extension of the workings on the ore bodies at the following points. North drive at No. 2 level, north end of No. 3 level, and by driving and crosscutting at the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th levels. For the present 50 stamps of the Diehl plant are regarded by the experts as sufficient, as the normal output of ore and the excessive cost of treatment by the ball mill plant is used as a strong argument. Continuing, the experts state that the limited numbers of stoping faces in payable ore preclude an output of more than 6000 to 6500 tons per month, without greatly increasing the mining costs, and tending to the rapid depletion of the already slender reserves. With regard to the working costs, the directions in which it is hoped that considerable economies can be effected are enumerated as follow:—In obtaining salt and fresh water, and supplies of general stores at the most favourable rates possible; in thoroughly overhauling all the surface plant to bring portions of same to the highest state of efficiency, and so modifying certain sections that considerable manual labour may be dispensed with; in so regulating mining work and ore output that no unpayable material is brought to the mills. If such economies are effected the experts promise a decrease in the cost of from 5s to 6s per ton, and this in spite of the smaller tonnage treated and deviation from the old method of account-keeping, whereby much work that might have been legitimately charged to mining costs was formerly charged to mine development. In conclusion, the experts state that as regards the position of the company in general, while it requires the closest attention, it does not appear to warrant any feeling of grave anxiety. There is, in their opinion, every reasonable hope that within the next few months, by means of vigorous development, intelligently pursued, and of the exercise of rigid economies all round, the company may be assured of a lengthy continuance of its prosperous career.

THE SOBRAON ANNUAL PICNIC.

On Friday last the boys of the Sobraon held their annual picnic. Through the liberality of the Minister of Public Instruction a sum of money was provided for entertaining the lads. Added to this a generous contribution of 50 cases choice fruit was sent by the fruit merchants of Sydney, Mr. Jessep, M.L.A., acting for them. The Harbour Trust Commissioners lent the steamer Dawn, and Messrs. Lane Brothers threw open their grounds and pavilions at Clontarf. An enjoyable treat was the result, all returning before dark contented and happy. The ship's band added greatly to the pleasure experienced.

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE ANNUAL SESSION.

The thirty-seventh annual session of the Presbyterian General Assembly of New South Wales was continued at St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street, yesterday.

A short service was held under the presidency of the Moderator, the Right Rev. John Walker, at 10 a.m.

THE AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS' FUND.

The Rev. John Burgess, M.A., as convener, spoke with reference to the fund, which was in a flourishing condition. The report showed that, although the claims on this fund were increasing, there was a surplus of £147 16s 11d on the current account, bringing the capital up to £12,769 2s 5d. The total ordinary income for the year was £1345 5s 8d, being an increase of nearly £30 on the income of 1900. The amount of the annual collection taken by the congregations throughout the Church in November was £182 10s 3d, an increase of £17 3s on the amount raised in 1900. The number of congregations that contributed was 103, as against 101 in 1900, and 82 in 1899. Notwithstanding the increase in the collection the average per congregation was still below what it was prior to the financial crisis of 1893. The expenditure for the year, including annuities, refunds, and all expenses, amounted to £1197 8s 9d. During the year seven new members were added, one forfeited all claim on the fund under regulation XII., and the assembly removed one from the list of members by making him a beneficiary. At present there were 131 members paying into the fund. The number of beneficiaries during the whole or part of 1901 was 13. The Rev. W. F. Fraser, who had been a beneficiary since 1897, died during the year, and since the end of the year the Rev. J. H. Archibald.

On the motion of the Rev. J. Burgess, seconded by the Rev. C. W. Willis, it was decided to receive the report, to express gratification at the continued prosperity of the fund, to recommend the congregations to contribute more liberally to the annual collection in view of the increasing liabilities placed upon the fund, and instruct ministers and office-bearers to afford their people an opportunity of contributing, and to instruct presbyteries at a minister's first induction to inform him that he is required to become a member of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, according to its regulations.

The petition of the Rev. Daniel Jackson, of St. Andrew's, Yass, to be placed as a beneficiary on the fund on account of old age and ill-health was considered. The Rev. Charles Crane, Mr. W. Affleck, M.L.A., and Mr. Thompson represented the case to the assembly, and it was decided to grant the prayer of the petition and place Mr. Jackson on the fund from the date of his demission.

The petition of the Rev. William Gardner, formerly of Bombala, to be placed on the fund was received, and the prayer of the petition granted.

PROFESSOR KINROSS, D.D., CONGRATULATED.

Professor Kinross, D.D., who had been appointed to the professorial chair of Apologetics and Christian Ethics, having entered the house, the Moderator congratulated him upon his appointment. Professor Kinross, who received a cordial welcome, briefly returned thanks.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE DR. DAVIDSON.

Professor Harper announced that he had received a letter from England informing him that the colleagues, friends, and pupils of the late Dr. A. B. Davidson, the greatest Hebrew scholar of his day, and late Hebrew professor of New College, Edinburgh, desired to erect a memorial in recognition of the life work of that great man. It was thought that many of the old pupils in Australasia would like to assist in the movement. The Rev. David Smith, of Albury, and the speaker would be glad to receive donations for the purpose indicated. At a later stage the Rev. J. Auld, M.A., moved a resolution expressive of the sorrow of the Church at hearing of the death of Dr. Davidson, and bore testimony to the worth of the late divine. Professor Harper seconded the motion, which was carried.

THE TREASURERSHIP AND FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Under this heading Colonel J. H. Goodlet spoke in reference to the report. The report showed that the gross revenue amounted to £88,843 2s 6d, and the gross expenditure £88,686 2s. The Robert Logan bequest remained at capital in hand £20,500, no extra amount having been received during the year. It would be for the assembly to determine whether the time had arrived when the account should be allowed to adjust itself by allowing existing grants to work themselves out and by making no further grants till the existing debit of £2503 11s 1d in the interest account had been liquidated. The assembly assessment indebtedness had been reduced during the year from £700 15s to £650 15s 2d. Some of the assessment arrears had been paid, but the total now stood at £1819 14s 10d. The debit in the Home Mission Fund had been increased during the year by £239 1s to £4282 14s 8d. It was anticipated that the full indebtedness would be discharged at the end of 1902. The debit balance in the Foreign Missions Fund had increased to £1209 19s. The Sustentation Fund revenue account had ended with a credit balance of £15 2s 6d. The balance to credit of the general capital fund was £963 2s 1d. Reference was made to the good work done by Miss Forbes and the Women's Missionary Association. A list of congregations who had responded to all the enjoined collections was given, the honour list numbering 82, or 19 more than last year. The expansion of the honour list was viewed with great favour. The "Berry Bequest" of £30,000 was received during 1901, the executors of the late David Berry having previously allowed the Church interest on the amount whilst it remained in their hands. The committee announced its determination to gradually invest a certain proportion of the Church funds in approved Government stock.

RECOGNITION OF MR. W. WOOD.

In connection with the Finance Committee's report upon the office and its work, reference was made to the work done by the financial secretary, Mr. William Wood, to whom it was proposed to grant six months' leave of absence.

Mr. W. G. Crane referred to the necessity for giving Mr. Wood a holiday, to which he was fairly entitled, as he had displayed a zeal and capacity for work which was in the highest degree commendable. The work of the office was done methodically, thoroughly and well, and the financial acumen of Mr. Wood was of the utmost value to the Church.

Colonel Goodlet moved that six months' leave of absence on full pay be granted to Mr. Wood from June 1, and that the assembly record the Church's sense of Mr. Wood's long and faithful services. He added that Mr. Wood was an indefatigable worker to whom there was no such thing as eight hours a day work, but oftener double that amount.

The Rev. Dr. Cameron seconded the motion, and bore testimony to the valuable work done by Mr. Wood. He detailed the arrangements for the conduct of business during Mr. Wood's absence, and said that a movement to give Mr. Wood a suitable send-off presentation was on foot, and to this he invited subscriptions.

The Moderator, in supporting the motion, said that Mr. Wood was the embodiment of loyalty to the Church.

The motion was carried unanimously amid applause.

The Finance Committee's report was received, and the following motions bearing upon it were carried:—That all congregations be enjoined to recognise their obligations to the Assembly Assessment Fund, and to the Federal Assembly Assessment Fund, and congregations which are in arrears urged to make every effort to clear them off by accepting the terms which may be offered by the committee, or by making payment in full; that the committee be authorised to accept compositions for arrears in cases where it deems it expedient to do so; that the committee be authorised to continue the Home Mission Account in overdraft up to £4500, pending the amount being cleared off by the operations of the Centenary Thanksgiving Fund; that in view of the possible discharge of all the existing debit balances at the end of the year 1902, committees in charge of funds, which have hitherto been allowed to overdraw their accounts, be instructed to endeavour to make such arrangements during the current year as will enable them to overtake the work they have in hand without the necessity of requiring money in excess of their ordinary revenue; that the law officers of the Church be instructed, when framing the New Church Act, to make provision for the investment of the trust funds of the Church in real property under directions to be given by the General Assembly from time to time; that the ratio in which the respective funds shall bear their proportion of the general expenses be adopted; that the committee be authorised to transfer to the credit of the General Expenses Fund the sum of 2½ per cent. on the income of all funds not included in the eight funds specially assessed for general expenses—no levy to be made on donations for capital.

A NEW ARRIVAL.

The Moderator introduced to the house the Rev. F. W. Anderson, M.A., who had just come from Scotland to supply the Woollahra pulpit during the Moderator's continuance of work as the Century Thanksgiving Fund Commissioner.

The Rev. F. W. Anderson received a cordial greeting, and returned thanks. He intimated that the Rev. Dr. Duff had asked him to convey his good wishes to his friends in Australia. Dr. Duff was always happy in doing work for Australia. (Applause.)

It was announced that Mr. Anderson would speak during the Foreign Missions debate.

THE GRANVILLE COMMISSION.

The Granville church matter was further considered in committee, and the commission reappointed, with full assembly powers as before.

THE EVENING SESSION.

There was a large attendance at night.

THE CENTENARY HISTORY.

The Rev. Dr. Cameron reported that the committee had reported that the obstacle in the way of the publication of the "Centenary History" arising from the non-completion of the "Historic Roll," which was to have been bound up with the history, had now been removed, as it had been determined, with Mr. Walker's concurrence, to make a separate companion volume containing the "Historic Roll" when that had been completed. The only obstacle now in the way was the non-completion of the "Historic Sketches" of the individual congregations. That was, however, well advanced, and if only the brethren would bestir themselves to send on the material for the purpose the work might soon be finished. When the convener had been released from his moderatorial duties he would be able to devote a larger measure of time and attention to the business, and practical steps would forthwith be taken to make a start with operations for the issue of the history.

The committee was thanked, and the hope was expressed by vote that the expediting of the work might be aided by the sending in of the historic sketches.

SUSTENTATION FUND.

Mr. W. G. Crane, acting convener of the committee, furnished a statement and report, which showed that the position of the fund had been more than maintained. The total revenue for 1901 was £30,504 15s 3d, an increase over last year of £334 5s 10d. Explanations regarding the capital account, Berry bequest, aid given by congregations, aid distributed, stipends paid, and organisation and advancement were made, and the following deliverance was adopted on the motion of Mr. Crane, seconded by Mr. Cameron,—"To receive the report; thank collectors and treasurers for their work in connection with the fund, and ask their continued co-operation; resolve that a special letter of thanks be forwarded to Dr. Hay and Dr. Norton, the executors of the estate of the late David Berry, in connection with the payment of the full amount of the bequest of £30,000; enjoin presbyteries to co-operate with the office-bearers of the various congregations in promoting a special forward movement; and to commend the sustentation capital fund to the consideration of friends throughout the Church.

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

The hospitality at the union celebrations was specially referred to, and the assembly expressed hearty thanks to the members of the W.M.A., to the ladies of the Church generally, and particularly to Mrs. Marks for valuable assistance rendered to the church in various ways at the consummation of the union in July last.

CHAPLAINCIES.

With reference to the chaplaincies and the distribution of Government money amongst them, Mr. W. Affleck, M.L.A., dealt with the subject, and moved some amendments. In the course of his remarks he said that he could never understand why the insane should be preached to at all—a remark which called forth much laughter. The question of the allocation of the chaplains' allowances was discussed by the Revs. J. Macaulay, Dr. T. E. Clouston, and Mr. W. Wood, and the debate was adjourned.

PREACHERS AT ST. STEPHEN'S FOR SUNDAY.

The Revs. Dr. Harper and F. W. Anderson (Woollahra) were appointed preachers before the Assembly on Sunday, Dr. Harper at the evening and the Rev. F. W. Anderson at the morning service.

CENTENARY THANKSGIVING FUND AND EVANGELISTIC MISSIONS.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:—The three years which it was first anticipated the fund would run would expire on December 31, 1902, but it was evident the fund would require to run for at least two years longer, as many promises had been taken during 1902 payable over three years. The total amount promised to date of going to press with the report was £50,591 13s 8d, of which £33,151 9s 10d had been paid in cash. The Commissioner continued unremitting in the discharge of the duties connected with the great work which he had undertaken, and it was to be hoped that he would be able to carry his work to a successful termination during the year of his moderatorship.

Mr. William Wood, organising secretary of the fund, furnished a statement regarding the third annual report. The report said that the committee recorded its pleasure at the continued advancement in connection with the work. Appreciation and admiration of the method in which the commissioner (the Rev. John Walker) was carrying out his task was expressed. During the year the commissioner had been at work almost continuously, and had only been able to take a short rest now and again. This was rendered absolutely necessary on account of the continuous strain of work to which Mr. Walker is subjected when he is on tour. Speaking nearly every night, travelling during the day and visiting, and preaching two or three times every Sabbath, made it imperative that there should be a short resting period at the end of each tour. Mr. Walker had just returned from a journey in the Murrumbidgee and Goulburn presbyteries. As a result of the year's work the promises to the fund had been increased from £35,264 2s 8d to £50,591 13s 8d, and the number of subscribers from 4853 to 7732. Mr. Wood specially referred to the fact that but 7732 people had subscribed. A large number of congregations remained to be visited. Of the cash actually received up to December 31, 1901, more than one-half was allocated to the general fund and to objects included in the general scheme, thus the amount allocated to the general fund was £13,233 1s 5d; the amount allocated to the objects included in the general scheme, £1434 15s 1d—total, £14,667 16s 6d; while the amount allocated for local congregational debts on buildings was £14,565 7s 6d. The debts on no less than 140 church, manse, and school buildings had been reduced through the working of the fund to the extent of £14,565 7s 6d. The latter item alone would be sufficient to justify the General Assembly in the action taken in inaugurating this scheme. When it was remembered that, in addition to this achievement in connection with the reduction of the debts on the Church properties, the whole of the debts in connection with the General Assembly funds had been wiped out, the Church would then begin to see the full benefit which was being derived from the working of the Centenary Thanksgiving Fund scheme.

The reception of the report was moved by the Rev. D. M. Barnet, B.A. (Narrandera), seconded by the Rev. J. T. Main, M.A., which was carried.

The report of the evangelistic committee was presented by the Rev. J. Kemp Bruce. The Rev. J. Crookston spoke on the subject, and said that there was a pronounced desire on the part of congregations for evangelistic work. He moved the adoption of the report, which was carried.

The Moderator said that it had been a delight to him to meet the ministers of the Church and their wives and families, who had in common with the congregations displayed towards him in his mission a great deal of kindness. The results of the mission were not mainly monetary. He had not put that aspect of the matter in the forefront. He had had it continually borne in upon him that the work was God-blessed. The Church was uplifted by it—(applause)—for it was just needed by the people. It was, however, a grand thing to have the parishes free of debt and knit closely together. He must refer to the terrible drought, which he feared would necessitate perhaps a year's delay in visiting the Riverina. He hoped soon to visit the Illawarra and Monaro coast districts. As an instance of the dire effects of the drought, he said that he had met a man who at the age of 65, after many years on his property, had just left it without a sixpenny-piece to call his own. He had yet to deal with the 10,000 Presbyterians of Sydney. (Applause.)

It was resolved amongst other formal matters connected with the report to extend the time to include six years from the date of starting for closing the fund; to confirm and approve the arrangements made by the committee for the continued absence of the commissioner from his congregation, and also for the provision made for the supply of his pulpit at Woollahra; to authorise the treasurership committee to discharge the debit balances standing against the following funds and schemes of the General Assembly on December 31, 1902—Assembly fund account, federal assembly fund account, legal expenses fund, office furniture account, centenary thanksgiving fund expenses account, foreign missions fund account, messenger fund account, home mission fund account; to instruct the treasurers to transfer to the credit of the various funds and schemes to be benefited the amounts which have been specially allocated to objects which are included in the centenary fund schedule, the amounts thus transferred to include the sums standing at credit at the close of the books on December, 31, 1902; to instruct the treasurers to retain the balance of the general fund at credit pending further instructions from the General Assembly; and to resolve to abandon the idea of having a Presbyterian congress during the year 1902.

The Federal Divorce Bill is to be considered at the sederunt to-night.

The session adjourned to the following day at 10 a.m.

PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

A preliminary meeting of property owners and landlords' agents was held yesterday afternoon in the Australia Hotel for the purpose of considering the advisability of forming an association to conserve their interests.

Mr. A. Rogalsky presided over a small attendance.

The chairman, in explaining the reasons for convening the meeting, said he thought it would be better for landlords to get rid of their properties if they were going to be bothered and harassed as much as they had been lately. From January 1 to the present date he had laid out £200 more than he had received in rents. That would give an idea of how they had been treated by the City Council. The landlords, he considered, were largely to blame for their apathy, and it was high time they formed a protection society. He deprecated the utility of the Health Board, and said that in the olden days an inspector of nuisances was deemed sufficient. Suburban councils could do without health boards, and property owners obtained justice in the suburbs compared with the city where their money was spent like water and they got nothing for it. If the Amended Municipalities Bill was passed, he said it was good-bye to their houses.

Mr. Broughton: It is a very drastic measure—worse than a lawyer's bill.

The chairman concluded by suggesting that the following matters could be dealt with by the association:—1. To alter the existing laws relating to landlords and tenants. 2. To keep register of all tenants, city and suburbs. 3. To take an interest in the election of aldermen. 4. To take an interest in the election of members of Parliament. 5. To have representatives on the Water and Sewerage Board. 6. To manage the association under similar lines of the N.S.W. Trade Protective Society.

Mr. E. C. V. Broughton, M.L.A., proposed,—"That an association be formed to be called the Property Owners' Defence Association for the purpose of upholding and promoting all matters of interest relating to property and property owners." He referred to the heavy city taxation here compared with Melbourne, and notwithstanding the outcries of the citizens the council had actually, he alleged, increased salaries. Their money would be better under present conditions at fixed deposit and they would be minus the worry.

Mr. Himmelhoch, in seconding the resolution, observed that he had had bitter experience of being a propertyowner. The motion was carried.

Mr. C. Atherton moved and Alderman A. W. Miller seconded the following resolution, which was also carried:—"That those present form themselves into a committee to carry out the objects of the foregoing resolution."

One gentleman said he was opposed to the introduction of political matters in their platform, and also referred to the register system as impracticable.

For Influenza and Colds in the Head Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

COUNTRY NEWS.

WRECK OF THE FLORRIE ELLISON.

TAREE, Thursday.

The Florrie Ellison, which went aground on the Manning bar on Sunday, has become a total wreck. Pilot Kerkin is endeavouring to save the machinery. The steam punt, which was built at Wingham, is now at the Taree ferry, but cannot commence work until a vessel arrives with coal.

ACCIDENTS.

MANILLA, Thursday.

A sulky accident occurred on Tamworth-road yesterday afternoon. Nurse Short, late of the Sydney Hospital, who was in the vehicle, had a hip fractured and was badly bruised on the body. She was removed to the residence of the Mayor.

THE BREAK OF GAUGE CONTRIVANCE.

ALBURY, Thursday.

The new contrivance for obviating the inconvenience connected with the break of gauge has been completed, and subjected to a trial of the lifting capabilities of the accumulator. Everything worked satisfactorily, and it only remains for the line of both gauges to be laid in order practically to test the value of the invention in overcoming the difficulty now caused by the systems. The whole of the machinery has been erected by Mr. Whittaker, foreman engineer for Hoskins Brothers, who control the patent.

AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

At a meeting of the Bathurst Pastures and Stock Protection Board to-day the following resolution was approved of:—"That in view of the state of the country and inability of owners to bear additional taxation the administration of the Rabbit Act should be vested in the present pastures and stock protection boards with the addition of Government representation and extended franchise, and that the rabbit districts should be the present sheep districts; that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the member for the district and other stock boards in the State with a request that if they agree with the resolution to ask the member for their districts to urge it upon the Government."

CAMDEN, Thursday.

Feed cannot be purchased locally. Over 1000 head of cattle have been sent to Burragorang Valley within a week from Picton and Camden, and are mainly feeding on river oaks. Rich lands are locally described as simply devoid of grass.

COBAR, Thursday.

The result of the deputation to the Minister for Works on the water question for the big mine has been received joyfully by everyone here. Although it will be a few days before the water train arrives for the mine, the prospects for the town are much brighter than they were a week ago. It is now nine months since rain fell that gave any water to the tanks.

COOMA, Thursday.

Mr. Dunnett, of Balgownie, has succeeded Mr. C. Hudson at Cooma as inspector of stock.

COONAMBLE, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Pastures and Stock Board, Mr. L. J. Ffrench being in the chair, it was decided that the assessment this year be the same as last year, viz., 3d per head for large stock and 10s per thousand for sheep. The rate for scalps was fixed at 20s for native dogs and 5s for other dogs caught killing sheep. On the motion of Mr. Donald Fletcher the board endorsed the following resolution passed by the Wagga Board:—"That in view of the state of the country and the inability of owners to bear additional taxation, the administration of the Rabbit Act should be vested in the present pastures and stock protection boards with the addition of Government representation and extended franchise as provided by the present Rabbit Act, and that the rabbit board districts be the present sheep districts."

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

A meeting of the Pastoral and Agricultural Society was held to-day. It was decided to invite the Premier (Mr. See), the Minister for Mines (Mr. Kidd), and the Hon. G. H. Reid to be present at the next show on July 17 and 18.

The Pastures and Stock Protection Board to-day decided to assess and levy 6d per 100 on sheep and 3s per 100 on large stock to provide funds for the destruction of noxious animals, for which the following bonuses are offered:—1d per head for crows and 2s 6d for foxes.

DUBBO, Thursday.

An auction sale of Crown lands was held at the lands office yesterday, when Mr. H. B. Copeland, Crown lands agent, submitted a town lot—allotment No. 4, section 7, containing 1 rood, county Narromine, parish Gundong, village of Tomingley—which was sold to Mr. A. H. Nield at the upset price of £92 per lot, which includes £86, the value of improvements.

GUNDAGAI, Thursday.

The Pastures and Stock Board met yesterday. The assessment on stock was fixed as follows:—Sheep, 10s per 1000; large stock, 10s per 100. The bonuses are:—Native dogs 25s each, foxes 10s. Last year foxes were paid for at 25s each, but owing to the increase, 250 having been paid for in the last half-year, the board found it necessary to reduce the price. The bonuses for crows and hares were fixed at 1d, pademelons and kangaroo rats were struck off. Under the new Rabbit Act it was decided to request Mr. Barnes, M.L.A., to ask the Minister for Lands to amend the regulations in order that the returning officer may send ballot papers direct to all persons to be rated, in lieu of having to make personal application.

Mr. J. R. Linsley, C.P.S. and Crown lands agent, has been appointed to take charge of the deeds branch in the head office.

MOLONG, Thursday.

The Department of Agriculture, in reply to an application by the Manildra Pastoral and Agricultural Association for a special grant of £100, states that no funds are available at present, but the application will be considered with others after the Estimates are passed.

MOREE, Thursday.

Large quantities of feed are still going through the town. Sheep are dropping off in large numbers.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

The Department of Public Works has intimated that the present lease of the bore at Bulyeroi cannot be cancelled. The settlers are advised to combine, and tender for the use of the same at the end of the present lease.

TUMBERUMBA, Thursday.

Light showers fell last night. This morning it was very cold. In the last fortnight about 50,000 sheep passed through here en route to the plains from the mountains. The men in charge say that the grass in the mountains is splendid, but they are experiencing heavy losses as they come down, all the fodder being bought up.

WARREN, Thursday.

The Mayor of Cobar has written to the Warren Council as to the terms of supplying the Cobar copper mine with water from the local bore. One shilling per thousand gallons at the bore is quoted.

Owing to the continuous drought the committee of the Warren Pastoral and Agricultural Association decided yesterday to abandon the holding of the show this year.

YASS, Thursday.

Public meetings are being called in the district to discuss the provisions of the Rabbit Act, which are considered unfair.

THE CHURCHES.

COBAR, Thursday.

Preparations are being made for a simultaneous mission the first 10 days in June. All Protestant churches are joining for the occasion.

The departure of the Rev. Father Griffin, who has been placed in charge of the Hillston parish, is much regretted.

The Presbyterian manse has been finished.

DUBBO, Thursday.

Dr. Camidge, Bishop of Bathurst, arranged to visit Dubbo to-day to administer confirmation at Holy Trinity Church this evening, and to visit Gilgandra at the end of the week, but he was prevented from doing so through illness. The Bishop is expected here on Sunday.

EPPING, Thursday.

A meeting of the parishioners of St. Albans was held at Walker's Hall on Friday evening, with the double object of according a send-off to Mr. H. A. Brigg, late churchwarden, who is about to make a tour of the world, and to welcome the Rev. Henry Bradshaw and his wife to the parish. Mr. R. Hilliard presided, and there was a large attendance, including the Rev. H. H. Britten, of Ryde, and many ladies. Mr. Butler, on behalf of the parishioners, referred in complimentary terms to Mr. Brigg's connection with St. Albans as churchwarden and trustee, and concluded by heartily wishing him bon voyage; and Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw received a warm welcome from the congregation. Light refreshments were dispensed by the ladies and musical selections contributed.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

The Quarter Sessions were opened yesterday before Judge Heydon. F. J. Jackson pleaded guilty to stealing a bicycle, and was sentenced to seven days in gaol. James Reilly, charged with stealing a horse, was acquitted; and Ernest Larkins, charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm on a man named Green, was also acquitted. A charge of cattle-stealing against James Maxwell occupied the attention of the Court all to-day.

SOUTH COAST.

ALBION PARK, Thursday.

Mr. Hector Fraser, of Tullimbar, recently fed his herd of dairy cows on planters' friend which was not quite ready to bud. The result was that seven of the best died and several others sickened, but they have since recovered.

A strong branch of the Foresters' Order has been formed here, the movement being taken up by many of the leading townspeople.

BERRY, Thursday.

Arrangements have been completed by the Department of Agriculture for an extension of the area of the Government stud farm to permit of grasses and other produce being grown for feeding the cattle.

KIAMA, Thursday.

Reference was made at to-day's council meeting to the fact that the sewer made by the Government through one of the town reserves some time ago was not continued so far as originally intended, the result being that £700 granted for this purpose remains unexpended. A resolution was passed directing that a letter be addressed to the Department of Works demanding the £700 for the improvements to the reserve in question.

A man named W. Blake met with a severe accident while driving a loaded stone cart between M'Sweeney's Quarry and Robertson Basin. While going down Terralong-street the axle broke, and Blake was thrown on to his head, striking the road, and being rendered unconscious.

The man M'Kenzie, who was so fearfully injured yesterday, is still alive, but has developed symptoms of internal injury which are considered serious. A closer inspection of the scene of the accident shows that the falling mass of rock did not come from the top of the cliff, but from the face of the wall about 30ft. from the bottom, and, striking a pillar in its descent, rebounded fully 25ft., striking M'Kenzie when he was getting a steam drill ready for use. A mystery surrounds the injury to the unfortunate man's hand. The palm was torn out without the back of the hand being hurt.

EDEN, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Progress Association last night a proposal to form a local branch of the British Empire League was considered. After discussion it was resolved,—"That, believing the loyalty of Eden to be perfect, and convinced that the solidarity of the Empire is assured, the association considers it unnecessary to take in hand the formation of a branch of the league in this town."

The Progress Association is asking the Government to endeavour by legislation or regulation to prevent the wholesale destruction by trapping of wonga pigeons in this district.

MILTON, Thursday.

The local bench of magistrates, the court officials, and the legal profession to-day tendered Mr. A. Elliott, P.M., a complimentary dinner prior to his departure for Braidwood. Mr. Donald Kennedy, J.P., presided. After the toast of "The King and Queen" the chairman proposed "Our Guest." Each member of the Bench expressed in eulogistic terms his esteem for the guest. Mr. Mayhew, on behalf of the legal profession, and Mr. Byrne, C.P.S., for the court officials, also congratulated Mr. Elliott on his promotion. Mr. Elliott suitably responded. Mr. Elliott was also entertained by the old-age pensioners at the rectory at a complimentary tea in the afternoon. In addition to the members of the old committee Messrs. J. Evans, D. W. Pearman, Joseph Petty, A. Ewing, W. Walford, and W. Cambage are candidates for positions on the committee of the Agricultural Association.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

A representative meeting of citizens was held in the council-chambers last night to take steps to have a telephone exchange established. The Mayor (Mr. M'Kenzie) presided. A motion was carried to the effect that the meeting desiring to have public telephone facilities requests the chairman to ascertain accurately from the postal authorities the terms for its establishment, and to report to a future meeting.

Owing to the continued dry weather the directors of the Unanderra Dairy Factory have been compelled to shorten hands. Farmers are having a terrible struggle to keep cattle going for want of water and grass.

The council has voted the sum of £24 5s to the local fire brigade.

The inspector of nuisances has had all the drains from private property into underground sewer pipes in Crown-street removed excepting one. Consequently all the disagreeable smells in the main street are now done away with.

The late Mrs. A. C. Hewlett, wife of the ex-Mayor of Waverley, who died suddenly at the Blue Mountains, was a daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Hobbs, who was at one time governor of Wollongong Gaol.

It is now nearly three years since the coke works at Port Kembla were started. When works are in full swing 62 ovens burn, and 60 men are employed. The works are practically stopped now for want of water.

It is estimated that the total quantity of stone in Port Kembla breakwater up to the present time is 60,000 tons.

The collieries are working night and day in loading vessels, the rush being caused by the late heavy weather.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Mr. F. Stanley Low, the newly-appointed manager of Block 10, arrived by this morning's express.

Another unoccupied dwelling in South Broken Hill was totally destroyed by fire last night. The house was of five rooms, constructed of wood and iron, and belonged to Mr. Reuben Hoare. It was valued at £100 by the owner, and was insured in the London and Lancashire office for £80.

Mr. O. S. Maddocks, Sub-Collector of Customs, who is being transferred to Sydney, was yesterday evening presented with a silver-mounted travelling bag by the members of the office staff. The chairman and others expressed deep regret at Mr. Maddocks' transfer. The health of Mr. E. T. Hall, Mr. Maddocks' successor, was also drunk.

BRUSHGROVE, Thursday.

Mr. T. C. Davis, who has carried on an extensive store business here for 22 years, and is now retiring, left with his family for Grafton to-day. The family was entertained at a picnic. Mr. Davis was presented with an illuminated address. The members of the Wesleyan church and friends gave him an enlarged photograph of the new church, Mrs. Davis a silver teapot, and Miss Davis a gold brooch and Bible. Messrs. Brodie and Webster have purchased Mr. Davis's business.

CARLINGFORD, Thursday.

The North Rocks Progress Association met on Tuesday. Mr. J. J. Catt presided. The report of the delegates to the fruitgrowers' conference at Parramatta was approved of, and the action of the conference was endorsed. Reference was made to the dangerous state of the main road to Pennant Hills, near Mr. Harrison's, where the department has filled in the centre of the road to a height of 8ft., or 3ft. above the top of the neighbouring fences, leaving a steep and dangerous embankment. It was resolved that the Government be requested to protect the embankment with a railing, and also to repair a broken culvert in Copeland-street.

COBAR, Thursday.

The bandsmen have presented Mr. A. M'Laughlin with a gold pendant, also an enlarged photograph of the band, beautifully mounted, in recognition of his services to the band.

COONAMBLE, Thursday.

At a meeting of the School of Arts committee Mr. Noel Dillon was appointed secretary and librarian.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker were entertained at a farewell social at St. Paul's Schoolroom last night prior to their departure for Albury next week, where Mr. Walker has been promoted to discharge the duties of superintendent of police.

Mr. M. E. Felton, sheriff's officer here for the past two years, left yesterday for Sydney to fill another office. His successor is Mr. J. Jackson Kelly.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

The following local officers have been promoted:—Mr. E. H. Davies, Crown land agent, to be Crown land agent, C.P.S., &c., at Bega; Mr. C. Barnes, deposition clerk to the land board, to be first clerk to the land board office at Grafton; Mr. J. J. Phelan, clerk of the survey office, to be first clerk of the land board office at Armidale.

KATOOMBA, Thursday.

A public meeting convened by the Mayor was held in the council-chambers last night to consider the desirability of providing suitable medical attendance and nursing for the poor in cases of sickness or accidents that required immediate attention and skilled nursing. There was a large attendance, and the meeting was unanimous that the desired provision should be made. Drs. Watkin and Spark, Rev. F. V. Pratt, Father Bridge, and several others strongly supported the movement, and a committee of over 50 was elected from those in the room. A sub-committee of four ladies and four gentlemen was elected, viz.:—Misses Abbott and Cox and Mesdames Long and Davis, Messrs. Bronger, Goyder, Nunn, and Copeland, with the Mayor as chairman, Mr. H. Quinan as secretary, and Dr. Watkin as treasurer, to get all information and collect money, and to report to the general committee next Wednesday week.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

The formal opening of the library in connection with the Frederickton Public School took place yesterday. Mr. Byrne, district inspector of schools, presided, and Mr. P. Basche declared the library open. This is the first library opened in connection with Public schools in this district. A large number of parents and visitors were present, and Mr. Hayes, head teacher, put the children through drill. A number of glees were also given.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.

Mr. Lindsay Thompson, the City Council representative on the Fire Brigades' Board, while on a visit here yesterday, was shown over the local fire station by the Mayor, and afterwards inspected the site for the new station.

The council has decided to co-operate with the Campbelltown Council in an effort to induce the Government to take over that portion of the Southern-road between Cross-roads and Campbelltown.

MANILLA, Thursday.

Mr. J. Ellcott has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the hospital committee. Messrs. Wilshire, Hill, Odell, W. H. Smith, and W. F. Burgess were appointed trustees.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

Another batch of surveyors and labourers arrived last night for the Sydney reservoir.

The Railway Commissioners have agreed to the price of £200 per year for a local water supply.

MOLONG, Thursday.

Regarding the proposed German's Hill deviation the Minister states that the department recognises the desirability of this deviation, but objections have been raised by the owners of land affected. The Minister has, however, approved of cases being sent to the Lands Department with a view to the resumption of the land, when final action can be decided on.

The Railway Commissioners state in reply to a request for an alteration of the timetable that, although the time of arrival at Molong is rather early, yet it suits the district beyond very well. Therefore it is inadvisable to alter it.

MOREE, Thursday.

At a public meeting yesterday 22 names were enrolled for a fire brigade. A motion in favour of local government was carried.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

A young man named William Edwards, employed at Gately's store, West Narrabri, went with three others shooting yesterday in Bohenna scrub. Edwards strayed away from his companions, and has not been heard of since. The police and a number of citizens are now scouring the scrub looking for him.

The Woolabra residents have decided to erect a school of arts.

TAREE, Thursday.

Mr. F. M. Baker, superintendent of roads, who has been promoted to Newcastle, was entertained at a banquet yesterday. Mr. W. Fotheringham, Mayor of Wingham, presided, and about 100 residents were present.

A meeting of the Taree Aboriginal Mission was held yesterday. Mr. S. T. Lean, Mayor, presided. The clergymen and others gave addresses. A collection was made for building a church for aboriginals at Purfleet.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

Mr. Henry Willis, M.P. for Robertson, visited Stuart Town on Tuesday, and addressed a very large meeting on Tuesday night. He had a splendid reception, and was driven round the district by a party of prominent citizens.

At the monthly meeting of the recently formed benevolent society the treasurer (Mr. J. Dowling Brown) reported that the sum of £14 1s had been collected in subscriptions. Several distressed families had been relieved.

YAMBA, Thursday.

Lately a building to be erected on the Iluka training wall for an electric light plant was promised by the Department of Works to enable the night shift to work on the wall. The department now states that the plant cannot be supplied. The night shift is at present working with the aid of torchlights. The western tip of the wall is completed, and the punt work is practically finished.

A meeting of the progress association was held last night, when reference was again made to the unsuccessful efforts of the member for the district to have new police buildings started. Three years ago plans were prepared, and the Minister for Works promised that the work would be started without delay. The money was again placed on the Estimates last year, but nothing has been done up to the present. Three years ago the present buildings were condemned by officers from the Colonial Architect's Office as uninhabitable.

YASS, Thursday.

A benefit social organised for Elliott's Town Band was held last night in the Mechanics' Hall, and was very successful.

Major R. B. Cropley, J.P., general secretary of the Temperance Lodge, delivered a lecture last night in connection with the local branch of the lodge.

NEW SOUTH WALES FOREIGN TRADE.

TRADE WITH EACH COUNTRY DURING 1901.

Country.	Imports.	Exports. Domestic Produce or Manufacture.	Exports. Other Produce or Manufacture.	Exports. Total.	Excess of Imports.	Excess of Exports.
Commonwealth of Australia—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria	3,411,046	3,347,309	763,769	4,111,078	...	700,032
Queensland	3,954,318	526,476	1,167,417	1,693,893	2,260,425	...
South Australia	1,290,744	2,351,059	178,153	2,529,212	...	1,238,468
Western Australia	187,620	308,393	160,830	469,223	...	281,603
Tasmania	524,283	185,097	201,994	387,091	137,192	...
Total	9,368,011	6,645,334	2,492,163	9,140,497	2,447,617	2,220,103
New Zealand	955,284	358,896	547,410	906,306	48,978	...
United Kingdom	10,102,941	6,785,930	862,033	7,647,963	2,454,978	...
Other British Possessions—						
Aden	2,171	...	...	...	2,171	...
Burmah	1,071	...	...	...	1,071	...
Canada	143,599	31,974	3,738	35,712	107,887	...
Cape Colony	2,144	420,567	524,689	945,256	...	943,112
Ceylon	217,605	15,568	50,520	66,088	151,517	...
Fiji	41,781	54,627	145,815	200,442	...	158,661
Gibraltar	...	4,572	...	4,572	...	4,572
Hongkong	60,533	18,772	191,350	210,122	...	149,589
India	392,818	74,312	1,012	75,324	317,494	...
Jamaica (West Indies)	985	...	...	...	985	...
Malta	742	1,272	62	1,334	...	592
Mauritius	43,768	12,633	97	12,730	31,038	...
Natal	30	278,093	5,559	283,652	...	283,622
Newfoundland	167	...	...	...	167	...
New Guinea	71,739	13,807	26,567	40,374	31,365	...
Norfolk Island	1,728	1,199	3,441	4,640	...	2,912
Straits Settlements	75,766	41,841	995	42,836	32,930	...
Trinidad	442	...	...	...	442	...
Zanzibar	330	...	...	...	330	...
Total Other British Possessions	1,057,419	969,217	953,865	1,923,082	677,397	1,543,060
Total British Countries	21,481,655	14,762,397	4,855,451	19,617,848	5,636,970	3,773,163
Foreign Countries—						
Arabia	2,902	...	...	...	2,902	...
Asia Minor	...	...	10	10	...	10
Austria	15,343	...	84	84	15,259	...
Belgium	152,965	1,036,543	57,401	1,093,944	...	940,979
Brazil	729	...	...	...	729	...
Caroline Islands	221	1,786	4,438	6,224	...	6,003
Celebes	...	113	3	116	...	116
Chili	5,109	251,945	2,284	254,229	...	249,120
China	111,039	7,628	1,074	8,702	102,337	...
Cochin China	...	1	1	2	...	2
Corea	...	1	...	1	...	1
Cuba	6,129	...	...	...	6,129	...
Denmark	882	...	...	...	882	...
Ecuador	...	2,495	28	2,523	...	2,523
Egypt	37,817	29,255	26	29,281	8,536	...
Finland	321	9	...	9	312	...
France	251,600	1,410,204	92,135	1,502,339	...	1,250,739
Germany	1,206,643	1,288,399	75,057	1,363,456	...	156,813
Greece	40,909	890	...	890	40,019	...
Hawaiian Islands	989	96,659	1,079	97,738	...	96,749
Italy	69,639	121,010	11,592	132,602	...	62,963
Japan	150,611	73,590	8,167	81,757	68,854	...
Java	111,785	53,451	310	53,761	58,024	...
Kaiser Wilhelm's Land	5	3,231	1,884	5,115	...	5,110
Kerguelen Island	...	55	134	189	...	189
Macao	5,100	...	...	...	5,100	...
Marshall Islands	7,674	5,400	8,166	13,566	...	5,892
Mexico	795	9,963	96	10,059	...	9,264
Molucca Islands	169	586	3	589	...	420
Mozambique	27	...	...	...	27	...
Netherlands	42,380	35,859	2,601	38,460	3,920	...
Neu Pommern (New Britain)	1,198	11,967	18,124	30,091	...	28,893
New Caledonia	22,721	85,600	79,420	165,020	...	142,299
Nicaragua	...	490	10	500	...	500
Norway	107,760	...	...	...	107,760	...
Panama	...	4,067	38	4,105	...	4,105
Peru	29,686	36,029	263	36,292	...	6,606
Philippine Islands	58,837	113,959	36,745	150,704	...	91,867
Portugal	2,998	...	...	...	2,998	...
Portuguese East Africa	...	6,490	110	6,600	...	6,600
Reunion	82	7	...	7	75	...
Russia	24,007	3,188	7	3,195	20,812	...
Siam	99	...	26	26	73	...
South Sea Islands	73,489	27,517	72,371	99,888	...	26,399
Spain	13,373	...	...	...	13,373	...
Sweden	25,692	...	1,825	1,825	23,867	...
Switzerland	27,018	...	...	...	27,018	...
Tahiti	...	28	27	55	...	55
Turkey	34,200	...	...	...	34,200	...
United States	2,803,641	434,866	2,104,250	2,539,116	264,525	...
Vladivostock	...	7	...	7	...	7
Total Foreign Countries	5,446,563	5,153,487	2,579,789	7,733,276	807,751	3,094,464
Total trade with all countries	26,928,218	19,915,884	7,435,240	27,351,124	6,444,721	6,867,627

SPECIE AND GOLD BULLION

(Included in the above table).

Country.	Imports.	Exports. Domestic Produce or Manufacture.	Exports. Other Produce or Manufacture.	Exports. Total.	Excess of Imports.	Excess of Exports.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth of Australia	3,551,997	92,343	464,700	557,043	2,994,954	...
New Zealand	332,171	...	191,400	191,400	140,771	...
United Kingdom	95,520	147,775	524,293	672,068	...	576,548
Other British possessions	64,293	17,601	762,872	780,473	...	716,180
Foreign countries	810	123,336	2,033,952	2,157,288	...	2,156,478
Total	4,044,791	381,055	3,977,217	4,358,272	3,135,725	3,449,206

EXCESS OF EXPORTS, £422,906.

N. LOCKYER, Collector of Customs.

Customs and Excise Office, Custom-house, Sydney, May 8, 1902.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

THE TURF.

To obviate the crush at Redfern station arrangements have been made to enable intending visitors to Rosehill on Saturday to obtain tickets to cover both the railway journey and admittance to either the leger reserve or grand stand and saddling paddock at the Central Booking-office, George-street, Sydney, Tramway Office, corner of Bent and Phillip streets, and at the bookstalls in the tramway waiting-rooms at Park and Elizabeth streets and Liverpool street.

St. Clare out of the Steeplechase and Whirlpool out of the Autumn Stakes were the scratchings recorded yesterday in connection with the Rosehill May meeting.

Our local correspondent telegraphs that the late autumn meeting of the Deniliquin Jockey Club resulted in a loss of £23.

Bourke subscription race meeting was yesterday granted registration by the A.J.C.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Brighton to-day. A special train will leave Redfern station at 1.55 p.m.

Entries close to-day by 5 p.m. with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington on Wednesday next. The programme will be found in the advertising columns.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Rosebery Park on Tuesday, May 13, and entries for the different events close with the secretary, Mr. A. E. Bateman, at 5 p.m. to-day. The card appears in the advertising columns.

For the pony and galloway races to be held at Forest Lodge on Monday next entries fall due before 5 p.m. to-day. Particulars of the different events will be found in the business portion of the paper.

William Walsh, who did a lot of riding in New Zealand, especially in the colours of Mr. Brough, and who is now resident in Sydney, has had the misfortune to lose one of his eyes. As a boy Walsh was employed by D. Robinson, who trained for Dr. L. L. Smith, of Melbourne.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

The "A" grass track was available to trainers yesterday morning, and was in excellent trim, the hurdles being placed 12 yards out. It was not quite daylight when Burton sent Azure a mile, but she was not fully extended, while Fanfare negotiated six furlongs in 1 minute 23½ seconds. Lucknow was held back to Bay Eagle at the finish of a circle, which occupied 2 minutes 36 seconds, but Not Guilty defeated Bonnibel by three lengths over five furlongs in 1 minute 8¼ seconds. West Australian and a companion put in a strong mile, while Caravel beat Reviver over six furlongs in moderate time. Blackwing was in advance of Lady Stanhope when seven furlongs had been traversed in 1 minute 37¼ seconds; and Dunk beat Colonel Plumer by several lengths in a run from the six-furlongs post in 1 minute 22 seconds. Mrs. Grundy and Spelter both beat Comical over five furlongs in 1 minute 8¼ seconds, and Aurantia held her own with Rabato over a circle, run in 2 minutes 24¼ seconds. Noble Lady was half a length ahead of Valento when six furlongs had been put past in 1 minute 22 seconds, and Crosslake, with the best of the weights, beat Tillimby by two and Dottswood by four lengths at the end of a mile and a furlong in 2 minutes 6 seconds. Rose Petal was not asked to do her best over six furlongs, but moved freely. Velocity spurted five furlongs in 1 minute 8¼ seconds, while Warrigal defeated The Jester and Marcioline, run a furlong further, in 1 minute 21 seconds. A circle in 2 minutes 25 seconds was executed by The Maine alone, and Smith put six furlongs to his credit in 1 minute 22 seconds. Bother and Milano spurted over five furlongs, finishing at the turn, a similar distance being run by Crystona and Coleman in 1 minute 8¼ seconds. Numidia went nicely over six furlongs, and Ruella beat Summering over a furlong less distance in 1 minute 8 seconds. Several horses galloped on the tan, which was in good order. Ferryman could have beaten William James, Merton Steel, and another at the end of six furlongs in 1 minute 24¼ seconds, while Horace led Soldier at the finish of a mile in 1 minute 53 seconds. High Jinks and Isa were not extended over six furlongs, but both trotted a trifle lame when eased up. Alannah and Zue spurted over five furlongs together in 1 minute 7¼ seconds, as did Wyena and Bizet. Antique was not at his best over six furlongs, and several others did easy tasks, while J.R. jumped half a dozen hurdles in good style.

VICTORIAN SPORTING NEWS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In connection with the Mentone races, to be held on Saturday, the following scratchings were recorded to-day:—Mentone Handicap: Como and Bluecap II. Steeplechase: Clarice. Welter Handicap: Silvermoor, Sunset, and Mairp. Jumpers' Flat Race: Metalloid. Welter Handicap: Flying Fox.

The steeplechaser Bethnal is now running out in a paddock, and not likely to be seen in public again for some time.

Bacchus has been sent back to his owner at Yarraglen, and his racing days are probably over. Another horse that may not race again is the steeplechaser Troy, who broke down badly while galloping at Flemington a few days ago.

The racehorses Prince, Marconi, and White Star have been shipped to Western Australia.

BLIGH PICNIC RACE CLUB.

SECOND DAY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The Bligh Picnic Race Club's annual races were concluded to-day in cool weather, but the dust was more unpleasant than yesterday. The Bracelet, the principal race of the day, excited the keenest interest. The Cup winner, Saturn, was the popular fancy, but was run down at the finish by Argentum, the outsider of a select party of five. A protest was lodged against Saturn receiving the second bracelet for having gone inside a post. This was admitted by Saturn's rider, and disqualification followed, Walgrove receiving the second bracelet, and Merlina, who finished fourth, was awarded the third bracelet. This was the only hitch of the meeting, which was generally voted the most successful for many years. Appended are the results:—

Newmarket Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. John M'Master's, jun., Cartridge, by Myles-na-Copaleen, 11st 7lb (Mr. C. H. Brown), 1; Mr. J. A. Buckland's Zenda, 11st 7lb (Mr. Stanley Rouse), 2; Mr. John M'Master's Antea, 10st 8lb (Mr. S. A. Blackman), 3. Other starters: Pawnbroker (Mr. W. E. Manning), Loch Lanthe (Mr. W. E. White). Betting: 7 to 4 v. Cartridge, 2 to 1 v. Zenda, 3 to 1 each v. Loch Lanthe and Pawnbroker, 5 to 1 v. Antea. Loch Lanthe lost all chance at the start, and Cartridge, who took up the running early, turned for home closely pressed by Zenda, with the others beaten off. Cartridge won by a length and a half from Zenda; Antea was 12 lengths off third, with Loch Lanthe a bad last. Time, 1 minute 18½ seconds.

Welter Handicap, once round.—Mr. D. I. Watt's Loch Leven, by Lochiel—Saltarelle, 10st 12lb (Mr. W. E. White), 1; Mr. John M'Master's Spires, 11st 2lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 2; Mr. John M'Master's, jun., Valeric, 8st 10lb, 3. Three started. Betting: 3 to 1 on Loch Leven. Won in a canter by 10 lengths; 50 lengths between second and third. Time, 2 minutes 19½ seconds.

Ladies' Bracelet.—Mrs. J. H. Bettington's Argentum, by Jeweller—Matilda, 11st 6lb (Mr. W. E. White), 1; Mrs. J. L. Brown's Walgrove, 11st 11lb (Mr. C. H. Brown), 2; Miss Hooke's Merlina, 11st 6lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 3. Other starters: Mrs. H. White's Tatterdemalion, 11st 6lb (Mr. Stanley Rouse); Mrs. H. M'Master's Saturn, 12st 12lb (Mr. C. Egan), disqualified. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Saturn, 7 to 2 each v. Walgrove and Merlina, 4 to 1 v. Tatterdemalion, 6 to 1 v. Argentum. Saturn rushed away to the front when the barrier was lifted, and at the half-mile post was six lengths in advance of Argentum and Tatterdemalion, with Walgrove six lengths off, and Merlina last. When six furlongs were cast behind Argentum got up to Saturn's girths, and Walgrove moved up closer, while Tatterdemalion was toiling in the rear. As they turned for home Argentum got his head in front, and coming on full of running, won easily by six lengths from Saturn. Walgrove was three lengths further back, and six lengths in front of Merlina, while Tatterdemalion was a long last. Time, 1 minute 46½ seconds. A protest was lodged against Saturn for going inside a post, and he was disqualified.

Cudgegong Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Mr. John M'Master's Spires, by Lochiel—Rustle, 9st 10lb (Mr. W. E. Manning), 1; Mr. J. H. Bettington's Loch Lanthe, 10st 12lb (Mr. W. E. White), 2; Mr. D. I. Watt's Pawnbroker II. (Mr. C. Egan), 3. Cartridge, 12st 12lb (Mr. C. H. Brown) also ran. Betting: Even money on Cartridge, 6 to 4 v. Spires, 3 to 1 v. Pawnbroker. Spires led all the way and won in a canter by four lengths. Time, 1 minute 35½ seconds.

Doncaster Handicap, 1 mile.—Mr. J. A. Buckland's Zenda, by Gerard—Zita, 11st 2lb (Mr. Stanley Rouse), 1; Mr. John M'Master's Antea, 10st 12lb (Mr. C. H. Brown), 2; Mr. A. Hooke's Merlina, 11st 2lb (Mr. A. E. Manning), 3. Other starters: Loch Leven (Mr. C. Egan), Tatterdemalion (Mr. W. E. Watts). Betting: 2 to 1 v. Merlina, 5 to 2 v. Zenda, 3 to 1 each v. Loch Leven and Antea, 4 to 1 v. Tatterdemalion. Won by four lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 49½ seconds.

Consolation, 6 furlongs.—Clarrie, by Merriment (Mr. W. E. Manning), 1; To-morrow (Mr. W. E. White), 2; Aurated (Mr. C. H. Brown), 3. Three started. Betting: Even money on Clarrie, 6 to 4 v. Aurated, 2 to 1 v. To-morrow. Won by half a length. Time, 1 minute 21 seconds.

GOONDIWINDI JOCKEY CLUB.

GOONDIWINDI, Thursday.

The Goondiwindi R. C. annual meeting was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, with the following results:—

FIRST DAY.

Trial Handicap of 15 sovs.—Mr. Cronin's Despised, by Baker, 1; Mr. Stevens's M.P., 2.

Goondiwindi Handicap of 60 sovs.—Mr. Oliphant's Snowstorm, by Garfield, 1; Mr. Lucas's Snablats, 2.

Border Handicap of 20 sovs.—Mr. Cronin's Iroquois, by Booval, 1; Mr. Waters's Blackthorn, 2.

Easter Handicap of 22 sovs.—Mr. Robinson's Plaintiff, by Garfield, 1; Mr. Lucas's Snablats, 2.

SECOND DAY.

Flying Handicap of 30 sovs.—Mr. Kirkby's Evangeline, by Woodstock, 1; Snowstorm, 2.

Town Plate of 40 sovs.—Mr. Oliphant's Snowstorm, 1; Mr. Lucas's Snablats, 2.

Publicans' Purse of 15 sovs.—Mr. W. Lucas's Snablats, 1; Mr. G. E. Lucas's De Wet, 2.

Farewell Handicap of 10 sovs.—Mr. Robinson's Plaintiff, 1; Snowstorm, 2.

MOLONG RACES.

MOLONG, Thursday.

Following are the results of the local race meeting:—

Opening Handicap.—Mr. C. Rutter's Trouble, 1.

Hack Race.—Jessica, 1.

Jockey Club Handicap.—Mr. W. Sherringham's Jessica, 1.

Farewell Handicap.—Trouble, 1.

Beaten Stakes.—Chesterfield, 1.

CLARENCE RIVER JOCKEY CLUB.

GRAFTON, Thursday.

The May Meeting of the Clarence River Jockey Club to-day was favoured with fine weather. The course was in good order, while the attendance was fair, and included the Premier and other Sydney visitors. Results:—

Show Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Jimmy Governor, 8st 2lb, 1; Solicitor, 7st 8lb, 2; Tim, 8st 6lb, 3. Theodora, Ada, A.J., Justice, Geebung, and Jessie Agnes also started. Won by a nose. Time, 1 minute 31 4-5 seconds.

Trial Handicap, 5 furlongs.—Le Vard, 8st, 1; Tapster, 7st, 2; Banbar, 8st, 3. Spearah, Last Try, Come Along, Exchange, Sweetbriar, and Common Ball also started. Won by half a length. Time, 1 minute 10½ seconds.

May Handicap, once round.—Jimmy Governor, 8st 8lb, 1; Arbiter, 6st 7lb, 2; Theodora, 8st 6lb, 3. Cadmus and Rosebud also started. Won by a quarter of a length after a splendid race.

Welter Handicap, 7 furlongs.—Rosebud, 10st, 1; Ada J., 9st 8lb, 2; Unara, 8st 7lb, 3. Exchange also started. Rosebud led the whole distance. Time, 1 minute 35 seconds.

Flying Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Tim, 8st 12lb, 1; Solicitor, 8st 3lb, 2; Pereeress, 8st 9lb, 3. Exchange, Theodora, Fontenoy, and Geebung also started. Tim led from start to finish, winning by half a length. Time, 1 minute 10 4-5 seconds.

BRIGHTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Following are the weights for the pony and galloway races to be held at Brighton to-day:—

Tramway Handicap (14.3), 5 furlongs.—Clansman, 9st 4lb; Y Not, 9st; Venus, 8st 12lb; Ikey, 8st 9lb; Horseshoe, 8st 8lb; Gundy, 8st 3lb; Destination, 7st 10lb; Nina, 7st; Sea Nymph, 7st.

Carlton Handicap (13.3), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Fidget, 8st 5lb; Gold Dust, 8st; Scotch Mixture, 8st; Grace, 7st 12lb; Little Swan, 7st 10lb; Jerome, 7st 10lb; Mac, 7st 8lb; Bobadil, 7st 8lb; Lizzie, 7st 5lb; Scraps, 7st; Veta, 7st.

Trial Stakes (13.0), 4 furlongs 30 yards.—Grafter, 8st 7lb; Greystain, 8st 4lb; Planet II., 7st 7lb; E. M. B., 7st 5lb; West Key, 7st 5lb; St. George, 7st; Lady Archer, 7st; Golden Mavis, 7st; Specimen, 7st; Bus, 7st.

Rockdale Handicap (14.2), 5 furlongs.—Destination, 8st 5lb; Optimist, 8st 4lb; Broker, 8st 3lb; Nada, 8st 2lb; Indiana, 8st; Tricky, 7st 12lb; Ivan, 7st 8lb; Dolly, 7st 8lb; Phyllis O'Brien, 7st 3lb; Lola, 7st 3lb; Adelaide Ascot, 7st; Riverswing, 7st.

Brighton Handicap (15.0), 6 furlongs 50 yards.—Sovereign, 8st 7lb; Jingler, 8st 2lb; Cowboy, 8st; Jasper, 8st; Altona, 7st 5lb; Beda, 7st 4lb; Zamica, 7st 3lb; Encore, 7st.

COURSING.

ORANGE COURSING CLUB.

THE CUP MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

ORANGE CUP.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

ORANGE, Thursday.

In the second ties We Two led up, and scoring very rapidly won easily. Bluff led Lady Mack by three lengths to a good hare, and had four points in hand at the finish. Loch Dhu led Majestic three lengths, getting quickly to work on a weak hare, and won comfortably. Lamplighter led Bracelet two lengths, and killed. Golden Queen, after leading Lily of the West, was outworked on a good hare. Current Cash led and beat Cassandra very easily. Braddon's Blot led Law Court by a length; Law Court then took possession and worked brilliantly, but in making a desperate effort to kill fell heavily; otherwise he would have won. Wall Eye being favoured by the game got the turn from Beeline, and afterwards working very well won easily.

In the third ties of the cup We Two led Bluff by three lengths, and never gave him a chance. Lamplighter led Loch Dhu by two lengths, and in a short course had a slight advantage. Lily of the West led Wall Eye a length, and Wall Eye momentarily took possession, but Lily of the West was placed again, and won by a small margin. Current cash was given a bye through Braddon's Blot being drawn. We Two and Current Cash are greatly fancied to-night. The following are the results:—

ORANGE CUP.

Second Ties.

We Two beat Turi

Bluff beat Lady Mack

Loch Dhu beat Majestic

Lamplighter beat Bracelet

Current Cash beat Cassandra

Lily of the West beat Golden Queen

Braddon's Blot beat Law Court

Wall Eye beat Beeline

Third Ties.

We Two beat Bluff

Lamplighter beat Loch Dhu

Lily of the West beat Wall Eye

Current Cash a bye, Braddon's Blot being drawn.

ORANGE PURSE.

Marie Correlli beat Monitor

Croix beat Warfare

Despatch beat Doris

Charon beat Debutante

Liberty beat Security

Boomerang beat Galtee Boy

Misty Rain a bye, Lucia being drawn

Marie Narelle beat Ian Hamilton

Master Vim beat Western King

Judge beat Rory O'More

Kilderry beat Kilkain

George beat Rowette

Lancashire Lass beat Dollar

Merman a bye, Black Prince being drawn

Hautesse beat Black Watch.

First Ties.

Croix beat Marie Correlli

Master Vim beat Despatch

Judge beat Charon

Kilderry a bye, Misty Rain being drawn

Boomerang beat Liberty

George beat Marie Narelle

Lancashire Lass a bye

Hautesse beat Merman

GOLF.

Files to hand bring particulars of a professional match between J. H. Taylor, the open ex-champion, and T. Yeoman at Seaford. Yeoman was in good form in the early part of the morning round, and for the first nine holes more than held his own. Taylor then overhauled his opponent, and at the interval stood "square." In the afternoon the open ex-champion, playing a fine game, won the match by six up and four to play.

BOWLS.

RANDWICK DEFEATS WAVERLEY.

Another of the monthly social matches between the Randwick and Waverley clubs was played on the former's green on Wednesday afternoon, and resulted in a narrow win for the home players by 6 points. The rinks and scores were:—

No. 1 Rink.—Randwick: Reed, J. F. Ross, J. Varley, J. Spohn (captain), 31. Waverley: Sands, G. Dyson, S. Irving, W. M'Leod (captain), 13.

No. 2 Rink.—Randwick: A. A. Lewis, J. C. Goodwin, J. Forsyth, M. J. Kinnane (captain), 23. Waverley: Morrison, Dr. Tayler, J. Donaldson, Wahlberg (captain), 27.

No. 3 Rink.—Randwick: W. Service, E. A. Oatley, A. Scott, J. Hedges (captain), 23. Waverley: Fairweather, Parsons, Morecombe, Rodgers (captain), 31.

Totals: Randwick, 77; Waverley, 71.

At 6 p.m. the visitors were the guests of the Randwick Club at dinner, Mr. M. J. Kinnane (vice-president) occupying the chair. Several convivial toasts appropriate to the occasion were honoured, after which a billiard contest was held, which resulted in a victory for the Randwick men. Scores:

Mr. S. Buzacott (Randwick) beat Mr. Carter Smith (Waverley) by 200 to 81.

Mr. J. A. Kiss (Randwick) beat Mr. S. Irving (Waverley) by 200 to 167.

Mr. A. Reed (Waverley) defeated Mr. J. F. Ross (Randwick) by 200 to 194.

CYCLING.

The Balmain Club's tour to Liverpool, Penrith, &c., set down for the 10th and 11th instant, has been postponed until 17th and 18th instant, as it was found those dates were more suitable to the majority of the members. The following officials have been appointed to supervise the annual 10-mile road race, which will be held on the 31st instant, first prize, cup presented by the Massey-Harris Company:—Starter, Mr. G. Corkhill; judges, Messrs. J. Turnbull, J. J. Cohen, and F. Pontey; timekeepers, Messrs. T. F. Mosty and A. Rodrick; turning-point stewards, Messrs. Bruce, Maddock, and O'Keefe; referees, Messrs. Baikie, Wilkinson, Williams, W. F. Pontey, and W. G. Davis. Entries close on the 23rd instant.

The Palace Emporium Club will hold a three-mile road race on the 17th instant, entries for which close with the secretary (Mr. A. Wiseman) on Saturday, 10th. The course is on the Parramatta-road, starting from Concord police station and finishing at Plough Inn.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

Mr. Leatch, of the Redfern Bicycle Club, travelling from Sydney to Melbourne, arrived at 7 a.m. He gave up the attempt, being 14 hours behind time.

LAWN TENNIS.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

A handicap tournament was played on the local tennis courts on Saturday afternoon, and was completed to-day. It was played in two divisions, the winners being H. R. Crossman (ex-champion of New South Wales) and Miss Rogerson and V. T. Thorne and Miss Healy. The final was played this afternoon and provided some splendid play, resulting in a win for the former pair by 40 points to 39.

FOOTBALL.

BERRY, Thursday.

The South Coast Football Union met yesterday. The junior competition was arranged. Six clubs have entered.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

In accordance with the new regulations of the Hunter District Rugby Football Union dividing West Maitland into three senior divisions—Northern, Southern, and Western—meetings have been held in the three divisions to form the new clubs. The following chief officials were elected by the respective clubs:—Northern Division—President, Mr. J. T. Murphy; treasurer, Mr. G. M'Lean; secretary, Mr. C. M'Donald; delegates to union, Messrs. John Brown, G. M'Lean, and R. Lethbridge. Southern Division—President, Mr. John Gillies, M.L.A.; treasurer, Mr. W. M'Lauchlin; secretary, Mr. S. Freeman; delegates to union, Messrs. W. A. Terry, R. Moore, and C. Gilbert. Western Division—President, Mr. A. A. Wall; treasurer, Mr. E. Sykes; secretary, Mr. F. E. Cummins; delegates, Messrs. D. J. Ryan, G. Yeates, and E. Sykes.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

A meeting of the Aforma Football Club was held last night, when Messrs. F. Sloan, H. Hart, and J. Hodgen were elected a selection committee. It was decided to play the Petersham team at Wollongong on June 3. The matter of forming a South Coast union fell through owing to lack of support from outside clubs.

SAILING.

PORT JACKSON MODEL YACHT CLUB.

A general meeting of the Port Jackson Model Yacht Club was held at the clubrooms, Waterview Hotel, Rowntree-street, Balmain, on Monday night, Mr. W. Mitchell presided. Correspondence was received from Messrs. John Hunter and Son and James Cox, accepting the positions of vice-presidents of the club, and enclosing donations towards the prize fund, also an intimation from Mr. Joseph Fogg of his intention to present a trophy before the season closed, and promises of support from several other gentlemen interested in the sport. The next race is a general handicap set down for to-morrow afternoon. The entries and handicaps are as follows:—Osprey, Esmeralda, and Irex II., scratch; Baronia, 30 seconds; Regina, 1 minute; and Cynthia, 2 minutes.

ROWING.

INTER-STATE EIGHT-OAR RACES.

PREVIOUS CONTESTS.

In 1875 N.S.W. had declined to row Victoria a return match in string-test fours unless the latter would provide a crew of "gentlemen amateurs," that is, non-manual labourers. Victoria, or rather Melbourne, had given up rowing for cash as far back as 1860, but admitted labourers as amateurs. Sydney had barred the labourer about 1870, but rowed for money prizes up to the time when the Mercantile Rowing Club was launched in January, 1875. The following year Victoria formed a rowing association, the first in the world, and at the end of 1877 issued a challenge to the Sydney oarsmen to row an eight-oar race on the Yarra. Up to this time there had never been a race in eights in Sydney, and all our work was done in string-test fours, which complied with the "string-test," great round-bottomed boats that required as much slogging as a whaler. Sydney Club declined to accept the challenge, but the Mercantile Club did so. The Sydney team was W. R. Benson, J. Arthur, J. M'Kansey, W. G. Brett, J. H. Wilkinson, T. F. Strange, W. Dind, and the late C. C. Medcalf as stroke, with W. Thomas as coxswain. Melbourne had a much heavier crew, stroked by G. Fairbairn, and having with him R. Ward, J. Booth, W. Bray, J. L. Irvine, W. H. Tuckett, J. M. Simpson, T. H. Young, and F. Fairbairn as cox. This race was rowed on March 6, 1878, and was keenly contested, Victoria getting a hard-won victory. Later in the year—November 22, 1878—the New South Wales Rowing Association was formed, and took charge of the next race, which was rowed over the Parramatta River on May 31, 1879. Sydney had W. Cope, C. Medcalf, J. M'Kansey, J. Arthur, W. G. Anslow, T. F. Strange, A. Finlayson, D. Lord (stroke). Of these Medcalf, Anslow, Finlayson, and Lord are now dead. Melbourne had a fine team stroked by John Booth, and this crew dashed away with the lead, being at one time about four lengths ahead. Sydney rowed well and caught up at Cabarita, winning a fine race by a couple of lengths. Next year Victoria had as fine a crew as has ever rowed for that State. Upward was stroke, and with him were Nicholls, Tuckett, R. Brown, R. Booth, and other good men. Sydney had a very poor team, and was easily defeated on the Yarra. The best men were J. Thomson, C. Bros, C. Gaden, and Anslow. In 1881 Victoria was again stroked by Upward, and won after a fine race from Sydney, stroked by D. Lord. Next year—1882—on the Yarra, Victoria had a great crew, which was 11st heavier than Sydney, but it underrated our men, and the "Rats crew" won easily, leading all the way. Our crew was N. Johnston, R. Moppett, E. P. Simpson, C. Bros, J. A. Brodie, C. Gaden, R. Bedford, and John Thomson (stroke). Victoria had six men of 12st and over. In 1883, on the Parramatta, Upward had his revenge, and won from a good but light crew, stroked by Thomson. After this race Upward retired, but took up the coaching, and R. D. Booth became stroke. The 1884 race was rowed on the Yarra, and Sydney, stroked by S. H. Martin, was beaten by a half-length after as fine a race as has ever been seen. In 1885 the race was rowed on the Parramatta, and Queensland and Tasmania joined in. Sydney won after a hard two miles against Victoria. Tasmania was third and Queensland fourth. The respective strokes were C. Bros (N.S.W.), Senior (Victoria), Sharland (Tasmania), and E. Winter (Queensland). This was Queensland's first attempt, and the only occasion on which Tasmania has sent a crew. It was also the first time four States had rowed an eight oar race. Next year Victoria, stroked by R. Booth, won a fine race from Sydney, stroked by C. Bros. In 1887 the race was again on the Parramatta. Sydney led for two miles, then No. 3 crabbed, and Victoria got away and won a hard race by a bare length. In the Centennial year it was decided to have two races, and Victoria won both easily, the stroke being S. H. Gowdie. In 1889 Victoria had a great crew, with Booth stroke and S. Fairbairn (his only race) at No. 5. Sydney, stroked by J. Thomson, was 8st lighter than Victoria, and was overpowered, but rowed a splendid race all the way.

The Victorian Rowing Association gave up control of the races after 1888, and a boat-race committee took the matter up. The matter in dispute was the manual labour trouble, but it never reached an acute stage. In 1890 Queensland put in a crew coached by Colin Bell, then just from Cambridge, he having rowed five years for his University. Victoria had not a good crew, and Sydney was quite a poor lot. It was a hard weather day on the Parramatta, and Victoria could not hold the Queenslanders until fairly smooth water was reached at Abbotsford. Here the race was being hardly fought out when Queensland, leading by nearly a length, broke an oar (No. 2), and the oarsman, W. E. Molle, jumped out. Victoria won, and would probably have done so had the oar not been broken by "the little hero." Bell was a fine coach and brought the Queenslanders well forward. The 1891 race was on the Yarra. Victoria was again a poor team, and finished third, Queensland winning easily, and Sydney was second. The winners were R. Beirne, F. De Little, A. J. Westaway, F. Hart, A. H. Drury, W. Molle, E. Colclough, R. T. Hilder, stroke, with D. Joyce as coxswain. This has been Queensland's only win so far. The race of 1892 was rowed at Brisbane, the first event of the kind there. Victoria sent up a rather good crew with Nicholson stroke, and Brotherton, who is now coach to our men, rowed No. 7. They won a good race with Sydney second, stroked by F. Moor, and Queensland third, stroked by Hilder who had won in the previous year. C. Bell rowed No. 6.

The Victorian Association now regained control of the race, and insisted on putting in manual labourers. They put in four, and this was done with the consent of the other States interested. Queensland put in two, but Sydney held on to the non-manual labourers. Our crew was Goulding, Parkinson, Cadell, Keenan, Kennedy, Waters, Higgs, F. Moor (stroke). They won easily, leading all the way, Victoria being second, stroked by Nicholson. This race was rowed on the Parramatta, May 13, 1893. Next year, on the Yarra, Victoria put up a great crew, with four Ballarat oarsmen in it, including James Donald as stroke, Chamley No. 7, Powell No. 6, Lindgren No. 5, Sloan No. 4, C. Horrbrough No. 3, C. Donald No. 2, and J. Maher bow. This was indeed a fine crew, and now eight years later we find J. Donald stroke, Sloan 6, C. Donald 4. For Sydney Moor was stroke, and E. Pearson rowed at No. 2. Victoria won a good race, with Sydney second, and Queensland third. The 1895 race was at Brisbane, and was won by Victoria after a great race with both Sydney and Queensland. Our men were badly boated, but made a fine race of it, and so did the third crew. It was over this race that the trouble occurred about Victoria putting in a cash prize cyclist, and led to the withdrawal of Sydney in the years 1897 and 1898. The trouble was patched up for the 1896 race at Sydney, when Victoria, stroked by Sloan, beat Sydney, stroked by C. Helsham, and Queensland. Had Sydney been well boated and got away properly the race should have been a win for our men.

In 1897 Western Australia sent over to the Yarra a good crew, of whom nearly all were ex-Victorians. J. Donald was stroke, and he pressed the Victorians very hard all the way. Queensland was distanced, and was stroked by J. B. Arthur, a son of the J. Arthur who rowed for Sydney in the two first races and in 1881. Sydney did not take part in this race, nor the year following, when Victoria easily beat Queensland. In 1899 Victoria agreed to row under the conference definition, which excluded the "cash amateur." The race was rowed on the Yarra, and Victoria won easily, Sydney beating off South Australia after a hard struggle, and Queensland was well up, but last. This was the first appearance of South Australia, and they became a party to the new agreement, which is now running to a close, and will end with the race of next year. In 1900 Victoria added another win at Brisbane, with Sydney second, Queensland third, and South Australia fourth. The race of last year was rowed on the Parramatta, and Sydney led for a distance and rowed a good race, Victoria winning, South Australia getting third place, and Queensland fourth. Some unfriendly critics of the Sydney crew gave them scant praise for what they did, but the fact remains that four of the Victorian crew were dropped this year, although they were believed to have been prepared to row again. Those who have rowed most races are: A. Chamley, for Victoria, 8; C. A. Bros, for New South Wales, 7; E. Colclough, for Queensland, 7. Sloan, Donald, Nicholson, and Booth are very little behind for Victoria, and Kennedy, Brodie, and Johnston have all rowed five or six times for this State.

THE GUN.

YASS, Thursday.

At the settling of the pigeon match last night some of the shooters who had divided the prize announced that they would be unable to attend to-day, so it was decided to draw lots for the trophy, which was won by Webster, who together with Thomson, of Yass, and Womburnie, of Albury, also take £25 each owing to their shooting on two nominations. During the forenoon to-day a number of sweeps were shot off among local shooters.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATES.

EXEMPTION OF RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

Some time ago representations were made to the State Minister for Works by the medium of a deputation representing the various religious denominations in favour of amending certain clauses in the proposed Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts Amendment Act, with a view to exempting religious and other similar institutions from being rated by the board. Clause 21 was one of the clauses which the deputation desired amended. At present it reads:—"The board shall exempt from the payment of water rates any cathedral, church, chapel, or other building used exclusively for public worship; any building used exclusively as a Sunday school or for religious teaching only; and public hospital or any building or premises used exclusively for any purpose of an eleemosynary or charitable character, subject to certain conditions." The deputation desired that the clause should read:—"The board shall exempt from the payment of water rates and sewerage and drainage rates (including rates due and unpaid on the day of the commencement of the Act) any cathedral, church, chapel, or other building used as a Sunday school or for religious teaching, any public hospital or any building or premises used exclusively for any purpose of an eleemosynary or charitable character, subject to certain conditions." Clause 22, which gave the board power to remit rates due and unpaid upon such buildings at the commencement of the Act, would then, if the preceding clause were amended as desired, be unnecessary. The matter was laid before the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage for an expression of opinion, and the Minister for Works is now in receipt of a communication from that body saying the matter received the very serious consideration of the board when clause 21 of the Amending Act was under discussion, and in deference to the wishes of the Minister it has again been considered, and the board is unable to see its way to amend the clause with a view to extending the exemption so as to apply to sewerage and drainage rates as well as water rates, and to make it obligatory upon the board to remit all arrears of rates.

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254	Lewis, E. E. W., lot 13, Alexandra-crescent, Lucy-st.	4	0	0
231	Perry, —, block of land, corner of Lucy and John sts.	7	10	0
276	Brown, Charles A., part of block 48, corner of Alt and Henry sts.	8	0	0
365	Griffiths, William, 1 lot, Margaret-st.	3	0	0
405	Corbin, A., lot 8, sec. 1, Bastable-st.	2	10	0
518	Ravensworth, G. A., lot 12, Etonville-parade	4	0	0
600	Williams, J., lot 7, Highbury Estate, Elizabeth-st.	8	0	0
873	Jones, Mrs. S., lot 35, Underwood Estate, Cecil-st	7	10	0
877	Owner, part of lot 33, Underwood Estate, Cecil-st	5	0	0
914	Owner, lot 6, resubdivision, Underwood Estate, Lottie-st.	4	0	0
	SOUTH WARD.			
105	Watkins, Edward, 1 lot, corner Liverpool-rd. and Greenhills-st.	20	0	0
108	Medcalf, J., lot 2, Peckham Estate, Liverpool-rd.	3	10	0
347	Rambley, Mrs. J., lot 24, The Grove Subdivision, Queen-st.	4	0	0
378	Pile, George, lot 11, Roseville Estate, George-st.	1	10	0
388	Jones, John, lot 23, Roseville Estate, George-st.	2	0	0
390	Ashdown, H., lot 5, Roseville Estate, George-st.	1	10	0
391	Owner, lot 4, sec. 2, Roseville Estate, George-st.	1	10	0
392	Stratton, C., lot 3, sec. 2, Roseville Estate, George-st.	2	0	0
393	White, J. T., and W., lot 2, sec. 2, Roseville Estate, George-st.	2	0	0
397	Owner, lot 12, sec. 1, Roseville Estate, George-st.	2	0	0
401	Clark, Thos., lot 16, sec. 2, Mount-st.	2	10	0
411	Owner, lot 28, sec. 4, Mount-st.	2	10	0
425	Jefferson, E., and Phillips, J. C., lot 9, The Grove Subdivision, Hardy-st.	4	0	0
429	Stickler, W. J., 1 lot, The Grove Subdivision, Hardy-st.	8	0	0
435	Owner, lots 16 and 17, sec. 1, The Grove Subdivision, Hardy-st.	7	0	0
447	Smith, J. C., lots 2 to 7, Holden-st. South	15	0	0
462	Wilson, W. C., block 3, sec. 3, Holden-st. South	20	0	0
466	Marshall, R., lot 1, The Grove Subdivision, Hanks-st.	4	0	0
476, 480, 482	Perry, C., lots 9 and 12, sec. 2, and 8 and 9, sec. 1, Ashford-st.	8	0	0
481	Owner, lots 12 and 13, sec. 1, Ashford-st.	4	0	0
484	Owner, lots 6 and 7, sec. 1, Ashford-st.	4	0	0
485	Dolphin, Miss, lot 5, sec. 1, Ashford-st.	4	0	0
496	Davitt, William, lots 11 and 12, Harland Estate, Wilson-st.	5	0	0
521	Clark, J. J., lot 21, Farleigh Estate, Holden-st.	5	0	0
592	Featherstone, W. J., lots 24 and 25, sec. 1, Palace-st.	10	0	0
593	Byron, John, lot 26, sec. 1, Palace-st.	10	0	0
614	Sherlock, E. H., lot 7, sec. 2, Palace-st.	4	0	0
624	Macintosh, J., lot 82 and part 81, sec. 1, Park-avenue	3	0	0
636	Martin, John, lot 63, sec. 1, Park-avenue	2	0	0
654	Whitelaw, G. J., lot 31, sec. 1, Park-avenue	3	0	0
652	Whomes, E. H., lot 30, sec. 1, Park-avenue	4	0	0
657	Owner, lot 22, sec. 1, Park-avenue	4	0	0
[illegible]	Martin, J. G., lot 18, sec. 2, Park-avenue	3	0	0
725	Kelly, J., lot 51, sec. 2, Park-avenue	2	0	0
844	Owner, lot 29, Carlisle Estate, Arthur-st.	4	0	0
855	Pattinson, Mrs. E., lot 9, sec. 1, Arthur-st.	4	0	0
858	Neustadt, Mrs. A., lot 10, sec. 1, Arthur-st.	4	0	0
993	Papworth, A., lot 1, Hugh-st.	3	0	0
1112	Staunton, W. F., lot 1, sec. 1, Milton-st.	2	10	0
1124	Merritt, J. W., lot 1 and part of 3, Education Park, Milton-st.	10	0	0
1197	James, James, lot 5, Hillside Estate, George's River-rd	8	0	0
1198	Coggan, T. W., lot 21, Hillside Estate, George's River-rd.	2	0	0
1207	Cox, J., lot 14, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	2	10	0
1209	Owner, lot 16, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	2	10	0
1210	Davis, J. S., lot 17, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	2	10	0
1211	James, R. H., lots 18 and 19, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	5	0	0
1217	James, Mrs. A., lot 34, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	2	10	0
1218	James, James, lot 33, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st	2	10	0
1219	Turner, G. F., lot 32, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st	2	10	0
1221	Featherstone, J., lot 30, Hillside Estate, Leopold-st.	2	10	0
1243	Thornton, T. F., lot 11, Cromwell-st.	3	0	0
1245	Thompson, J., lot 15, sec. 2, Cromwell-st.	3	0	0
1254	Milne, John, lot 8, sec. 4, Cromwell-st.	3	0	0
1258	M'Bain and M'Lennan, lot 16, sec. 4, Cromwell-st	3	0	0
1259	Hayes, P., lot 18, sec. 4, Cromwell-st.	3	0	0
1271-2	Owner, lots 1 and 3, sec. 4, Cromwell-st.	7	0	0
1277	Carroll, T. V., lot 20, sec. 2, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1278	Price, W., lot 18, sec. 2, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1280	Noonan, E. S., part lot 14, sec. 2, Carshalton-st.	1	10	0
1283	Thornton, T. F., lot 10, sec. 2, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1305	Owner, lot 39, sec. 1, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1308	Owner, lot 4, sec. 3, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1312	Milne, John, lot 12, sec. 3, Carshalton-st.	3	0	0
1323	Metcalf, E., lot 13, sec. 3, Holborow-st.	3	0	0
1327	Milne, John, lot 11, sec. 3, Holborow-st.	3	0	0
1329	Sutherland, Mrs., lot 8, sec. 3, Holborow-st.	3	0	0
1340½	Hutton, W. T., lot 18, Holborow-st.	3	0	0
1345	Clout, C. W., lot 12, sec. 1, Holborow-st.	3	0	0
1371	Jones, Thomas, lots 13 and 14, Holborrow-st.	8	0	0
1453	Jackson, John, lot 4, Thomas-st.	2	10	0
1482	Worthington, J., lot 7, sec. 4, Thomas-st.	2	10	0
1484	Whitelaw, George, lot 5, sec. 4, Thomas-st.	3	0	0
1491	Rae, A. W., lot 26, sec. 4, Gad's Hill Estate	5	0	0
1490	Grant, William, lots 19 and 23, sec. 4, Gad's Hill Estate	7	10	0
1506	Owner, lot 26, Glen's Subdivision, Milton-st. North	1	10	0
1527	Owner, lot 22, Glen's Subdivision, Milton-st. North	1	10	0
1543	Webb, C. E., lot 30, Beatrice-st.	1	10	0
1557	Lamb, F. E., lot 12, Beatrice-st.	1	10	0
	EAST WARD.			
307	Wallis, Mrs. M., lot 16, Carrington-st.	5	0	0
704	Killan, —, lots 160 and 161, Wellesley-st.	6	0	0
1100	Jones, J. S., lot 11, sec. 1, Parramatta-rd.	5	0	0
1215	Beeson, H., lot 1, sec. B, Ramsay-st.	4	0	0
1242, 1245, 1253	Lamb, C. F., lots 11, 14, and 24, Dalhousie-st.	8	10	0
1256	Treseder, T. G., lots 27 and 28, sec. A, Dalhousie-st.	6	0	0
1450	Lamb, C. F., lots 16 and 17, sec. B, St. David's-rd.	3	0	0
1457-1459	Treseder, T. G., lots 26 and 27, sec. B, and lots 29 and 30, sec. A, St. David's-rd.	8	0	0
1460	Lamb, C. F., lots 31 and 32, sec. A, St. David's-rd	3	0	0
1477	Smith, W. W., lot 47, sec. B, Dobroyd-st.	1	10	0
1492	Lamb, C. F., lot 38, sec. B, Dobroyd-st.	1	10	0
1498	Treseder, T. G., lots 28 and 29, sec. B, Dobroyd-st	3	0	0
1510	Hall, Sydney, lot 15, sec. C, corner Pierson and Marion sts.	1	10	0
1525	Sherritt, Joseph, 1 lot, Pierson-st.	1	10	0
1534	Price, E., lots 15 and 16, sec. A, Pierson-st.	4	10	0
1536	Owner, lot 18, sec. A, Pierson-st.	2	0	0

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THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY, MAY 8.

The Deputy President took the chair at half-past 2.

Senator NEILD (N.S.W.) resumed the debate on the second reading of the Tariff Bill. He said that he did not propose to address himself to the ethics of freetrade, as he thought the time was not opportune for that. The great freetrade State of New South Wales accepted federation and let freetrade take its chance. The people hoped for the best. He had been in the minority, but he had loyally accepted the conditions imposed by federation. The result of the proposals of the Government had created tremendous dissatisfaction in New South Wales, and he believed that now not 10 per cent. of the people of that State would support federation. The people did not consider the future enough. They were disappointed at finding themselves under trammels which they were not used to. It was, however, the duty of the people to be loyal under adversity and to take the rough with the smooth. It was, he held, not the duty of freetraders to cry over spilt milk; but he held that it was the duty of freetraders to demand a tariff which, while producing sufficient revenue, would do as little injury as possible to the Commonwealth. The tariff required was one which would hamper the natural industry as little as possible. The tariff proposed to take something like half a million sterling more from the pockets of the people than the Government required. In view of the vast area of the Commonwealth, it was natural that the industries which produced the greatest benefits to all required the most consideration. The market for natural industries was without limit, while that for artificial industries was very limited. He would ask whether the Government, in its management of finances, was worthy of being entrusted with the huge spending powers that the passing of such a tariff involved. Another question he would ask was, had the action of the Government on the question of defences been such as would warrant the Chamber in placing the large sums involved at their disposal. Further, had the Government in its proposals kept faith with the people? It had been stated that there was to be a great saving in the matter of defences, and if so that was a reason for not voting all the money which was asked. The Treasurer had received £340,000 from the Home Government to pay the expenses of the contingents, and yet he could not walk the streets of Sydney without being hailed up by people who wanted to know when they were to be paid.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: Are those men connected with the Imperial contingents in respect of which the money was received?

Senator NEILD: Yes, they are. There were abundant obligations of the Commonwealth Government to the people of Australia in connection with the despatch of Imperial contingents. The Government had acknowledged receiving £340,000, and the people wanted to know when their accounts were going to be paid.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: If there are any such cases I shall be glad if the hon. gentleman will bring them under the notice of the Government.

Senator NEILD: I will take advantage of my friend's request. The Defence Department was in a state of chaos.

Senator STEWART (Q.): And the Minister for Defence has gone.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: He has left a very good substitute.

Senator NEILD said that the Minister who was taking charge had done good work as the Minister for Defence in New South Wales, and he was glad to offer his congratulations on the choice. It had been said by the Vice-President that all the Ministers were protectionists, and had been so all their lives. Well, he found that a Minister was once a subscriber to the funds of a freetrade association of New South Wales.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: I had not got salvation then.

Senator NEILD said that the hon. gentleman had used the words "all their lives." The present Premier had said that trade should be free from any rigid wretched Chinese system of ad valorem duties.

Senator CHARLESTON (S.A.): Who said that?

Senator NEILD: The Hon. E. Barton; and the truth was as good to-day as then, even if the hon. gentleman had turned his back on it.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: What was the date of that speech?

Senator NEILD: About the same date as the hon. gentleman was a subscriber to the funds of the freetrade association. The Vice-President when before the electors had said that he would be no party to a form of wretched fiscalism.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: I never made a speech in which I did not declare my direct adherence to protectionist principles, and my intention to follow them.

Senator NEILD denounced the tariff. It was 6 per cent. higher than the Victorian tariff. Including narcotics and stimulants the average was 22·33 per cent., as against 20 per cent. in the Victorian tariff. Freetraders had done splendid work in the other House in protecting the pockets of the taxpayer against unjust assessment. He did not say, however, that he approved of everything that had been done there, and if a motion were made to substitute the tea duty for more obnoxious ones he would very likely be found voting for it. The Prime Minister had said at Maitland, "Shall we pile duties on the cottager and the artisan?" The tariff did pile duties on the cottager and the artisan. He referred to various anomalies in the tariff, and intimated that it would undergo material and valuable alteration.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: Wait until the numbers are up.

Senator NEILD did not know what the hon. gentleman had up his sleeve. The hon. gentleman was very skilful in manipulating members, and perhaps his greatest lever was his undeviating courtesy. He won over members because of his courtesy. A poor woman had to pay duty on her mangle, the magnate got his steam roller in free. While the right to suggest amendments had been spoken of, he would point out that the word in the Constitution was even stronger, viz., "request." As to what the Vice-President had said in regard to not accepting the tariff he (Senator Neild) was prepared to take the consequences. He desired to save the taxpayers' pocket from unjust demands, and he wished to assist the great natural industries of the country in the interests of the whole Commonwealth.

Senator BARRETT (Vic.) said that Victoria's loss of population was attributed to protection, but that had nothing to do with it. It was due to the bursting of the land boom, and the stagnation which ensued. Fortunately at that time gold was discovered in Western Australia, and the people went there.

Senator GOULD (N.S.W.): The hon. gentleman should not forget that New South Wales had made a large gain in population.

Senator BARRETT said that all the available agricultural land in Victoria had been taken up, and the people were forced to go to New South Wales, where there was more land. He denied that wages in New South Wales were as good as in Victoria. He had ample proof of this from the trades-unions of New South Wales, with whom he had been in constant communication for years. Wages in New South Wales had been for years much lower than in Victoria. An Arbitration Act had been passed in New South Wales, and the Court would be kept fully employed for a long time.

Senator HARNEY (W.A.): People will always rush for more money.

Senator BARRETT maintained that it was a matter not so much of money as of right and justice. He would like to know whether there was a freetrader in the Chamber who, to get revenue, would support the single tax. Freetraders had been driven from their position and were revenue tariffists. He would explain that he could not understand a moderate protectionist any more than a moderately honest person. They had been told that protectionists were prohibitionists.

Senator HARNEY: Logically.

Senator BARRETT would admit it. Thorough protection must provide for duties high enough to prohibit. He would affirm that no nation ever became happy, rich, or prosperous which had not had the shield of legislative enactment thrown over the growing industries of her people. Protection had, he maintained, been beneficial to Victoria, and it was not true that the people had gone back on the policy. In support of this statement he read extracts from the report of the Tariff Commission. Canada was prosperous and her trade was increasing. Surely the whole of the world could not be wrong and Great Britain and Turkey only right. A study of history showed that England had built up her prosperity by the adoption of the protective system, and was going back owing to the forsaking of that doctrine. Statistics showed incontestably that England was on the decline. British manufactures were being superseded by the products of other factories, and people had to leave England to avoid dying in the workhouse. Perhaps that was a good thing for Australia, as the flower of the artisan class left and helped to found Greater Britain here.

Senator STEWART (Q.): What drove them away, freetrade or landlordism?

Senator BARRETT: Freetrade and landlordism combined. Stuart Mill had spoken in favour of a protective duty, and his teachings were accepted as gospel by freetraders. History clearly proved that protection was the policy for the Australian Commonwealth. Mulhall showed that Great Britain had declined. The figures were:—United States, in 1840, wealth per inhabitant, £46; in 1890 wealth per inhabitant, £234. France, in 1841, wealth per inhabitant, £94; in 1896, wealth per inhabitant, £352. Great Britain in 1840, wealth per inhabitant, £154; in 1896, wealth per inhabitant, £202.

An hon. member: Where is the decline?

Senator BARRETT said that the advance had not been so great as in the other countries.

Senator MILLEN: You make no allowance for the enormous wealth invested outside.

Senator BARRETT concluded by urging that the protectionist system was the proper policy for Australia.

Senator SARGOOD (Vic.) said that the explanation of the tariff at Maitland was satisfactory, but the framing of the tariff was very difficult. He could thoroughly sympathise with the Ministers, seeing they had no commercial men among them. After making all allowances he was grievously disappointed, and could only account for it by supposing that those who favoured high duties got the better of the Government. He did not desire to discuss freetrade and protection, but he would allude to effect of high duties on national products like wool and wheat. In New Zealand without the duties the local manufacturers of agricultural implements were able to compete with the imported article. The natural effect of high duties was to reduce imports. This would result in the increase of freights both ways, and those engaged in the agricultural industry would be hit both ways. (Hear, hear.) There were absurd anomalies in the tariff, and even the Vice-President must admit that they must be rectified. There was protection of 20 per cent. on cotton goods, which were not made here, whilst the protection on woollen goods made here was only 10 per cent. (Hear, hear.) With regard to candles, they were made in Sydney under freetrade very much superior to those made in Victoria under protection. They were also sold at a lower price than the Victorian candles, and although of lighter weight were guaranteed to burn an hour longer. The duty on strawboards was reduced 25 per cent. The present selling price of locally made strawboard was £10 to £10 5s, while the imported article could be got from £6 to £6 10s, the difference between the prices representing what the public had to pay for high duties. He reminded the House that duties did not constitute the whole of protection, because the cost of importation had to be considered. The cost of government was greater in the case of low-price goods than high ones.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: How is it that low-price goods cost more to import?

Senator SARGOOD explained that the cost was lower in the case of high-price goods because more value could be got into equal package. (Hear, hear.) He had been unable to find that any industries had, as was alleged, been stopped by the reduction of duties. The duty on felt hats was formerly 160 per cent. When they were reduced to 30 per cent. dire results were predicted, but they had not been verified. In New South Wales they made boots, and good boots, without the duty.

Senator DOBSON (Tas.): That shows that the duty can come down to 20 per cent., and perhaps to 10 per cent.

Senator SARGOOD stated the facts, and left members to draw the inferences. In the sixties advocates of protection said that the maximum duties would never exceed 12½ per cent., and that that would only be on for a few years. The avowed object of high duties was to raise wages, and that must raise the price. Goods were higher in the United States and Canada than in the old country.

Senator ZEAL (Vic.): To which goods are you referring?

Senator SARGOOD: To pretty nearly all. Regarding the statement that the duties on sugar had destroyed the industry, he pointed out that the report of the Royal Commission showed that the decay of the industry was more owing to the retention of obsolete machinery. He admitted that the refining industry had suffered, but pointed out that the loss had been more than counterbalanced by the business which had grown up in confectionery. As to the increase of imports from foreign places to British possessions, he pointed out that they were formerly sent to London, and being sent from there were classed as British goods, whereas now foreign goods had to be branded. High duties must result in the reduction in quality of goods.

Senator M'GREGOR (S.A.): Are the people better clothed in New South Wales than in Victoria?

Senator SARGOOD: I say unhesitatingly that in New South Wales they import a better class of goods than we do here. High duties always played into the hands of big firms and tended to squeeze out the small ones. Senator Glassey had stated that British shipping was declining. He (Sir F. Sargood) found from "Whitaker" that the shipping tonnage of the world in 1901 was 20,590,000, and 11,700,000 belonged to Great Britain. The American tonnage was 3,077,000. England built shipping aggregating 1,417,000 tons in the same year, of which she sold ships of 447,000 tonnage, leaving a balance as a net increase. Looking at the income tax, it yielded in 1869 £8,600,000, and last year it gave £13,750,000. This went to show that Great Britain was not living on her capital. The value of imports into the United Kingdom in the five years from 1891 averaged 417 millions sterling. In the next five years the average was 474 millions, and in 1901 the amount was 522 millions. Regarding the exports, the average for five years from 1891 was 226 millions sterling, and for the next five years 249 millions. In 1900 they reached the highest point, 282 millions, and in 1901 the amount was 271 millions. This apparent falling off was due to the reduction in prices. He thought that he was justified in saying that the old country was not going back, but was on the eve of revival. Her people had been too conservative. So far from being afraid of the competition of America and Germany they courted it. (Hear, hear.)

Senator PLAYFORD considered that the House should have dealt with the machinery bills, and then after a decent recess had a special session to deal with the tariff. He was fully aware of the difficulty of revising the tariff, and the difficulty was intensified by the fact that six varying tariffs had to be dealt with. He thought that many alterations made in the other Chamber had rather created than cured the anomalies. (Hear, hear.) This was only to be expected from the work of so many people of conflicting views. The fact that extremists on both sides had united in denouncing the tariff led him to regard the tariff as a fair compromise. The allegation that manufacturers put on the amount of extra duties was one of those wretched freetrade fallacies which freetraders were never tired of parading. Protection was essential to the starting of industries. It was absolutely incorrect to say that the manufacturer pocketed the amount of duty. Freetraders in arguing that the Government estimate of revenue was under the mark had overlooked the fact that merchants refrained from taking goods out of bond until the tariff was settled. He believed that the revenue would not be more than the Government expected. It did seem to him unfair when Agent-General that the British manufacturers should be submitted to the competition of foreign manufacturers. The book "Made in Germany" drew prominent attention to the matter. Mr. A. R. Wallace, the freetrader, then advocated Great Britain imposing a duty the same as that imposed by foreign countries. There was a strong feeling growing in England in that direction, and Lord Salisbury had pointed out that foreign nations were raising a brazen wall round their countries, and doing the best they could to kill the British markets. Lord Selborne had said they were no longer to be bound by the fetish of freetrade. He (Senator Playford) was aware that Lord Selborne was speaking the wish of some of the members of the Cabinet in a desire to prevent unfair competition. Mr. Chamberlain had asked him if the colonies would give British goods a preferential tariff, and he said that he did not think they would, and that the only article this could be done in was colonial wine. (Laughter.) He believed Canada meant by her action to shame the mother country into giving her preferential treatment. (Laughter.) He ridiculed the statement that protective duties were imposed to meet heavy war expenditure. As to the position in America, Bryce had stated that the United States had produced wealth which was not only greater, but more widely diffused throughout the population, than in any other part of the world. In 1882 he (Senator Playford) visited the United States and Canada, and came back with the conviction that protection was unmistakably the proper policy for South Australia. He introduced a tariff in 1887, which lasted until it was altered by Mr. Kingston.

Senator MILLEN: Are you a big manufacturing country now?

Senator PLAYFORD could not say that they were; but they manufactured their own boots, shoes, and clothing, and agricultural machinery. It was true that he lost revenue at the Customs, but he made it up by providing employment for many men, and enabling them to consume the imported goods.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: That is the experience of America.

Senator PLAYFORD was exceedingly sorry that the duty had been removed from tea. The leader of the freetrade party voted against the duty, and should be ashamed of himself. The duty was a revenue one, and produced the sum of £700,000 for the Commonwealth. It was also very wrong to remove the duty from kerosene. There were deposits of kerosene shale in New South Wales and Tasmania which wanted encouragement. He appealed to the House not to lower the duties in the face of deficits in Queensland and Tasmania. (Hear, hear.)

The debate was adjourned on the motion of Senator Gould.

The House rose at five minutes past 10.

PROTESTANT DEFENCE ASSOCIATION.

FORMATION OF A BRANCH AT ANNANDALE.

A well attended meeting was held last night in St. Aidan's School-hall, Johnston-street, Annandale, for the purpose of forming a branch of the Australian Protestant Defence Association. Alderman J. T. Starling occupied the chair.

Dr. W. M. Dill Macky delivered an address on "The Necessity for Protestant Organisation." In dealing with his subject he said that although the Roman Catholics comprised only about one-fourth of the community they exercised power and influence far beyond their numerical proportion. That influence extended to every department of public life. The reason of their power, he believed, lay in their perfect organisation. The hierarchy of the Church controlled the people to such a degree that liberty of thought and action was precluded. The weakness of Protestantism was found in the want of organisation. The price paid by the Protestants for their civil and religious liberty was that every man thought and acted for himself, which was a principle they gloried in, and did not desire in any way to curtail. But while they advocated perfect liberty in thought and action, there were many things upon which they could act unitedly, and which concerned the well-being, not only of the Protestant churches, but of the State. One of the questions which would be fought out in the near future would be the nullifying of the present Public school system, and the reversal to the old denominational system which prevailed before the Public Schools Acts was formulated. Coadjutor Archbishop Kelly had pledged himself to return to this again and again until the wish of the Roman Catholic Church was obtained. To prevent such a retrograde movement the Protestant population must band together and vote in solid phalanx.

Other speakers addressed the meeting, and a motion by Mr. J. Sharp advocating the formation of the branch was carried unanimously, and a number of members were enrolled.

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SEARCH FOR A CAPITAL.

POSSIBILITIES OF THE WEST.

EARLY MORNING AT LYNDHURST.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

BATHURST, Thursday.

We saw Lyndhurst in the early morning, it being only an hour and a half distant by train from Orange. Lyndhurst looks little more than a hamlet, and might be quite excusably passed by with but a passing glance from travellers. It is only when you get away behind the congeries of tenements and standing on one of the pretty hillocks, which abound, that you realise that Lyndhurst is one of the beautiful pieces of landscape which was a component part of the glorious panorama viewed from Canoblas on the previous day. While we stood there at Lyndhurst the secretary of the Federal League, Mr. Lyndon Biddulph, read a treatise on the district, and thoroughly convinced the party that first appearances are frequently deceptive. Mount Macquarie, a dignified upland towering some eight miles away, comes within the proposed area, and Mr. Biddulph painted a realistic picture of that mountain as a people's park. He told of the water supply available, and explained how its sources were tapable in all directions from the centre. As to climate it was equable and always invigorating. Of course it could not for a moment be supposed that local residents expected a lot of gain from the fact of that site being selected. There were not enough of them to make even a large village, but none the less the efforts of the local Federal League may have more effect than its members imagine.

There is a growing feeling that Parliament should not approach the task of selection by the direct cut of choosing out of all New South Wales one site. On the contrary, it is seen that an alternative plan, and one, which in the end might save time, would be to cut New South Wales into a workable number of divisions, and let Parliament first, and that speedily, decide in what division of the State the capital will be. That will solve a great difficulty, and clear the way for succeeding stages. The general locality having been decided on within the boundaries approximately of one of the improvised divisions, the task would then narrow itself down to the choice of the precise site. The divisional boundaries would not be as the laws of the Medes and the Persians, but elastic, so that one division being selected encroachment could be made on another to complete the finally chosen area. The division or divisions being selected and a fiat having gone out that somewhere in that area the capital must be located, the whole of the area would be minutely exploited so that no mistake to furnish cause for later sorrow might be made. Some members are inclined to think that that would be a too drastic application of principle of exclusion — that, in fact, the site having best natural local advantages irrespective of geological position should be the selection. If that is the feeling of Parliament these tours of inspection are justified, but if, on the other hand, certain parts of New South Wales are tabooed, very little advantage can accrue from the personal flits all over the face of the country.

This is not a very expensive business after all, and the country will not be so bitterly bled as some recent references in Parliament might have suggested. When the senators' tour was undertaken it was a novel departure, and the tendency was perhaps towards lavishness in order to avoid inconvenience and discomfort; but experience has taught, and laws of economy are being applied now. In the first tour there was such an army of attendants that, in the expressive language of one who was there, they were falling over each other in a vain effort to find something to do. Now a party three times as numerous has a very small staff of attendants under a capable head, and so far as we have had experience of them they are quite sufficient. In Parliament a discussion was opened on the expenses of the trip, and several members made a point of defending the presence on the tour of representatives of the newspapers. It seemed from the remarks made that the reporters formed the large proportion of the company, but as a matter of official statement there were only four reporters attached to the Senate party—two from Sydney and two from Melbourne. This time there are only three.

This is a divergence from the consideration of the possible federal capitals, but perhaps it is warranted from one standpoint alone, namely, the anxious desire of nearly every member of Parliament who undertakes these and other trips that his movements and investigations should be placed at their value before the public. But to return to Lyndhurst. The inspection occupied a couple of hours, and at the end of it we were invited to subscribe to some sports gathering. Of course it was a courteous act to place the opportunity before the visitors of encouraging local sport, and the incident is mentioned not in derogation of Lyndhurst as a capital site, but as a tribute to the enterprise of its inhabitants. They gave us three cheers as we were leaving the station. Mr. Biddulph has been persuaded to get his description of the area printed and forwarded to members of Parliament. Mr. Sydney Smith is the member for this district, and he stood sponsor for the genuineness of the case for Lyndhurst.

ON BATHURST HEIGHTS.

Bathurst is a charming city, and if the federal capital looks as lovely as it lies nestled in a great circle of protecting hills, it will be worthy of what New South Wales can offer in the way of exquisite scenery. We were met at Perth railway station by many citizens and conveyed in a long line of well-horsed vehicles up the highest peak of the Bald Hills chain that is west of Bathurst city, and the view from there helps to a proper estimate of the size of the district. The claims of this part to be the federal site are well known, though the senators did not extend their visit beyond the railway station. After we had seen all that offered from the Bald Hills we were taken to a height nearer to the town. Some prominent citizens, including the Mayor, Alderman M'Phillamy, Dr. Machattie, and others, were cicerones, and grasped every opportunity of advancing reasons why no other place in New South Wales could reasonably be regarded as in the running while Bathurst was there. Mr. Oliver, the Federal Commissioner, is a most unpopular person in Bathurst because of his school of geography. Measuring from boundary to boundary, Sydney and Bathurst are nearer than 100 miles from each other. That would be disastrous to Bathurst's chances of exclusion, and commendable vigilance led to the great discovery that if the measurement were taken from the obelisk in Macquarie-place Bathurst would be outside the proscribed radial area. It seems that they could not persuade Mr. Oliver that the provision in the Act was not meant to refer to the nearness of the extreme limits of Sydney to the proposed site, and that gentleman consequently remarks in his report upon the facts as he sees them. But, supposing Bathurst is right in its reading of the Act, then her people would suggest the building only of the necessary houses for Government, and the utilisation of the resources of the city of Bathurst. They hardly suggest that the city should be bought out lock, stock, and barrel, though they do not deny that such a course would unquestionably be a profitable investment. But they do recognise that an immense tract of valuable private land would have to be purchased, and argue that its value would go up in such rapidity that the people would not have to wait long for a return of practically the whole sum invested. A great water scheme by gravitation could, it is urged, be obtained at a reasonable cost. The climate is allowed to be unsurpassed in the State, and accessibility is placed high on the measure of good qualities. Certainly the climatic conditions induce considerable hunger, and as it was nearly 2 o'clock, and we had breakfasted at 7, even the beauties of Bathurst could not compensate for the lack of more substantial comfort. A drive thoroughly enjoyable in spite of the dust of the roads brought us into the prettily laid out city itself, and without any delay each one made his way to the Royal Hotel for lunch. Afterwards there was more driving round to see the sights, and one of the most pleasant views was that of the Macquarie River taken from the hills which rise at the back of the town.

Thus ended two very heavy days' work, and already many of the party are becoming able mountaineers. Others quite unused to such exercise are already too stiff and sore of climb to venture on any walk up a rising gradient. This evening and to-night, however, all can rest well, as we will be travelling between Bathurst and Armidale until 10.45 a.m. on Friday, at which hour we reach the northern town. It has now been arranged to get into Sydney on Saturday at a reasonably early hour, have an afternoon on the harbour, and leave first thing on Monday morning for Nowra. This slight variation will put the southern engagements back two days.

Some of the names of the party were mutilated in the course of telegraphing yesterday. Messrs. Kirwan (W.A.), Mahon (W.A.), and Ronald (Vic.), Ms.P., T. Woollard (Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives), and A. Wadsworth are of the party.

EDEN, Thursday.

The secretary of the Progress Association has been requested by wire to postpone by two days the local arrangements in connection with the visit of the federal representatives. According to the latest advices the party will arrive at Eden on Tuesday the 13th, instead of Sunday as previously expected.

THE STOCKOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Stockowners' Association of New South Wales, held yesterday, the question of the publication of a special record of the pastoral industry of Australia to commemorate the coronation of King Edward VII. was considered, and the secretary was authorised to proceed with the compilation and publication of such a work. A special committee, consisting of Hon. F. B. Suttor, Messrs. W. F. Jaques, and J. M. Atkinson, was appointed to supervise the matter and assist in the necessary official arrangements. It was decided that the date for the annual meeting be July 2.

The approaching Coronation
Holds first place in conversation;
The world will stop till Edward's crowned,
Then recommence its daily round;
While those who gave a loyal cheer
May be dead within the year
Unless for colds they do procure
W. E. Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.—Advt

MINISTER FOR LANDS ON TOUR.

TRIALS OF PASTORALISTS.

FEEDING STARVING SHEEP.

A PITIFUL SIGHT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

HAY, Thursday.

When a Minister of the Crown enters a country town the Mayor, aldermen, and leading citizens generally drive him round to see the sights of the place. It is a mark of courtesy, and care is taken to show the visitors the most pleasing and picturesque features of the town. Quite a new departure was taken to-day by the Mayor and aldermen of Hay. The Minister for Lands, Mr. Crick, with Mr. M'Master, chairman of the Western Lands Board, Messrs. Scobie and Williams, Ms.L.A., and the special representative of the "Sydney Morning Herald," was invited to witness the way in which starving sheep are brought in hundreds of miles by rail to Hay and hand-fed in order to keep them from dying.

Driving out from the township about two miles to a bend of the Murrumbidgee River, the Ministerial party was shown 4000 sheep that had arrived the night before by rail from Gundagai without food or water, and had previously travelled from Tumut to Gundagai, driven out of their ordinary pasture lands for want of food. They were three days and nights without anything to eat or drink. Early this morning men began the work of unloading them from the railway trucks. The poor beasts were weak and famishing, and 150 of them were found to be dead. The bodies were thrown out into the railway yard. The crows hovered about in hundreds, and directly the sheep were thrown aside, some still gasping in the last throes of death, the crows swooped down and picked their eyes out.

As quickly as possible those that could stand on their feet were driven to the bend of the river, where tons of chaff were spread about to save the animals from starvation. This work is being carried out by Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender, stock and station agents, who are acting for their pastoral clients in various parts of this district. The Ministerial party arrived as the sheep had finished their morning meal and had surfeited themselves with water in a small dam. Emaciated and almost living skeletons, the poor animals followed the buggies under the impression that they were food carts. Some had lain down to die and the crows were at work picking their eyes out. Others lay in the muddy water, struggling to get out of the bog, but were unable to do so through weakness. As one drove amongst them they fell through sheer exhaustion in the effort to get out of the road. It was a pitiful sight, and even impressed those Hay residents who are used to seeing starving stock. These sheep belonged to Mr. W. Austin, of Canoon Station. They were sent at the beginning of the year to rented country at Tumut, but owing to the feed giving out there they were brought back in the hope of saving them by hand feeding. Passing along to another paddock we came across 5000 one-year-old ewes belonging to Messrs. R. B. Ronald and Son, of Nap Nap station, 45 miles south-west on the Murrumbidgee River. They were being fed on chaff served in iron troughs extending over a mile in length. The chaff costs £5 a ton, and each sheep gets 1½lb. per day. Many of the ewes had lambs at foot, but it was plain that most of the latter were doomed to die. These ewes were originally sent to Culcairn at the beginning of the year in order to get feed, the food on Nap Nap station having given out. The lease of the Culcairn land being up, and no more land being available, as a last resource the owners brought them back to Hay to try to save their lives by hand-feeding. Being ewes, and valuable for breeding purposes, it was felt that it would be better to save their lives at a cost of more than their value than to give them away at 1s a head at Culcairn. For five weeks they have been fed on chaff, consuming nearly £15 worth each day. They looked strong enough to pull through for a time, but the hollow sides and evident weakness of the poor animals showed how much they missed the grass feed.

A special area was wired off as a hospital for sick sheep and for ewes that have lambs. The latter were fearfully emaciated, and many of them were certain to die. A special mixture of bran and chaff was provided for the patients, but one could see that many were doomed to death.

Seeing that with chaff as low as £3 10s a ton (it is now £5 at Hay) it costs at least 3d per week to feed a sheep, or 12s a year, it follows that a severe loss is being sustained by the owners, especially when it is recollected that the annual value of a sheep at the very extreme is 5s 6d. Then why are Messrs. Ronald and Sons spending at the rate of 12s a year to keep alive a sheep whose annual value is about 5s 6d? Because they are valuable ewes which it would be difficult to replace when the first favourable season comes round. The terrible effects of the drought and the fearful losses sustained by pastoralists and others may be judged from the fact that in one season Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender sold 20,000 ewes to a pastoralist at 12s a head. Next season (a bad one) he sold the lot at an average of 3s each.

Although both the Minister for Lands and Mr. M'Master had previously seen pastoralists in the back country put to great straits to save their flock, they freely confessed to-day that they had never seen a more pitiable sight as the result of the drought and desolation which envelop this part of the State.

DEPUTATIONS TO THE MINISTER.

LOCAL REQUIREMENTS AT HAY.

After returning from an inspection of the sheep feeding and a drive round the town, Mr. Byrne, M.L.A., introduced to the Minister for Lands a deputation from the Hay Municipal Council which desired to bring a number of local matters under his notice. The first request was that a sum of £500 be granted to enclose the Hay Park in a new fence.

The Minister said he thought they desired to fence in too much land, and promised to make a grant of £250, which could be used in the discretion of the council.

The deputation then asked Mr. Crick to expedite the addition of 480 acres at South Hay to the Hay common.

The Minister, after conferring with Mr. J. Broughton, district surveyor, on the subject, promised that the request would be carried out at once.

An application of a grant of money to erect a pavilion on the cricket ground was refused; but in response to a request that he would use his influence in pushing on the consideration of the suggested railway from Hay to Deniliquin, the Minister said he had heard very much about the Yanco cutting and its interference with the free flow of the Murrumbidgee River, but he intended to make a special visit to see it. He would try at the same time to get the Minister for Works to accompany him, and if successful he would endeavour to get Mr. O'Sullivan to go with him over the proposed railway route.

PUBLIC BANQUET.

POLITICAL SPEECHES.

REDUCTION OF MEMBERS.

A MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.

At 1 p.m. the Ministerial party was entertained at a public banquet laid at Tattersall's Hotel. There was a large gathering of the residents of Hay, as well as of pastoralists from outlying districts.

The Mayor, Alderman Gibson, presided, and after the usual loyal toasts were honoured he proposed the toast of "The Ministry," coupled with the name of the Minister for Lands. The people of Hay, he said, were greatly pleased at the presence of the Minister for Lands, because if there was one subject in which they were all deeply interested it was the administration of the Western Lands Act and the Rabbit Act. The landholders of the Western and Central divisions had passed, and were still passing, through bad times, and anything that could be done to help them would have a reflex action on the remainder of the State. (Cheers.)

The toast was honoured with considerable enthusiasm.

SPEECH BY THE MINISTER FOR LANDS.

The Minister for Lands, who was received with cordiality, said had it not been for the attacks made in the Western Division upon his Land Act, and the fact that he had been burned in effigy for passing a law which it was said would do harm to the people, he would never have undertaken such a long, arduous, and discomforting journey through the waterless West; but having done so he was pleased, because he had dispelled the mists of ignorance that existed about the law, and had gained fresh evidence that would be of use in future action. The country districts lived upon production, and the metropolis depended for its wealth and influence upon that production. (Cheers.) Hence everything tending to increase production enhanced the prosperity of the metropolis. (Cheers.) He had passed in the Western Lands Act machinery which, he hoped, would make the Western Division what it was 10 or 12 years ago. The Government was accused of expending money extravagantly. If it had done so it had been in the country districts, which had been greatly neglected in the past. (Cheers.) The Government was determined to give the country districts that expenditure to which they were fairly, honestly, and legitimately entitled. (Cheers.) An agitation had been commenced in Sydney for the reduction of the members of Parliament. (Hear, hear.) He had committed one mistake. He thought under federation they might have a reduction of members with advantage, but when he found that it took him nearly a fortnight to drive through the electorate of Mr. Scobie, M.L.A., and almost as long through the Wilcannia electorate, whilst he could traverse a Sydney electorate in less than an hour, he began to see that it would be an injustice if such large electorates as Wentworth and Wilcannia were increased in area as the result of a reduction in the number of members. (Cheers.) To say they would be willing to put Wentworth and Wilcannia into one electorate, and Hay and Hillston into another, was to talk absurd nonsense. If the number of members was to be reduced it must be done in the settled parts of the State, where the representatives had nothing to do but to draw their salaries. He was determined that he would be no party to a reduction in the number of country representatives. (Cheers.) The whole object of the agitation was to knock out a country Ministry which intended dealing with the settlement of the lands of the Central and Eastern Divisions, but he lost heart when he found the people biting and snarling at him. The Government occupied its position without favour from any member, and directly members found they could not support the Ministry it was their duty to vote against it. (Cheers.)

OTHER TOASTS.

The toast of "Parliament" was proposed by the chairman and was responded to by Messrs. Byrne, Scobie, and Williams, Ms.L.A.

Mr. Byrne, as the member for the Hay electorate, took precedence, and was accorded a most hearty reception. He said they had in Parliament a dominant organisation in the Labour party, also a Government that was strongly supported, and a nondescript body on the Opposition side of the House. It was not a party because there was no cleavage line in its politics. The old shibboleths of freetrade and protection were dead, but the ghost of the former was being revived for party purposes. He was sorry to see that the metropolitan press was becoming vehement and rabid over the question of reducing the number of members. If a reduction were made on the one man one vote basis it meant that the country districts must suffer. (Cheers.) It was a difficult matter to deal with, for if the reduction were made on the basis of one member to 4000 country electors, and one member to 2000 electors in the metropolis, that would not meet with the approval of the democrats, because they would say we were placing acres against men. It was said that if they had good local self-government they could do with less members, but his experience of shire councils in Victoria showed him that local self-government resulted in extra taxation upon the land. That was a point the landholders must ponder over carefully. (Cheers.)

The toast of "The Press," coupled with the name of the representative of the "Sydney Morning Herald," was proposed by Dr. Broinowski, who paid a special compliment to the proprietors of that journal for sending a special representative with the Minister for Lands in order to see for himself the desolate condition of the western lands of the State, to note the devastation caused by the drought, and to judge by actual observation whether or not the Parliamentary representatives of this part of New South Wales had coloured too highly the picture of desolation and suffering drawn by them in Parliament.

The toast was responded to by the representatives of the "Sydney Morning Herald," "Riverina Grazier," and "The Riverina Times."

The health of the Mayor having been honoured at the request of Mr. Crick, the proceedings terminated.

LAND SETTLEMENT IN THE CENTRAL DIVISION.

DEPUTATION TO THE MINISTER FOR LANDS.

A NEW LAND BILL FORESHADOWED.

At 8 o'clock this evening a large number of landholders assembled in the new Athenæum for the purpose of interviewing the Minister regarding a number of matters connected with land settlement. The chair was taken by the Mayor (Alderman Gibson). There were delegates present from the Hay, Gunbar, and Hillston branches of the Farmers and Settlers' Association. The delegates were introduced by Mr. Byrne, M.L.A., and their views were embodied in the following resolutions:—

1. "That reappraisement should be granted at any time to all holders irrespective of areas whether in one or more holdings, and that all lands held to be included."

2. "That the present holders of land working it bonafide should have the first claim to an increase of area sufficient to maintain a home, and off the nearest Crown lands."

3. "That in the event of there not being any available Crown lands homestead selectors and settlement lessees should be allowed to increase their holdings by purchase from other selectors."

4. "That in our opinion in the Hay Land Board district, 4000 sheep are required to maintain a family."

5. "That where residence is required a holder should have the option of residing in his old home."

"6. That until the break of the drought residence conditions should be suspended."

"7. That owing to the severe losses sustained during the drought, a suspension of payments should be granted for three years, and to be added to the end of the term."

"8. That where any holders of land adjoin unoccupied Crown lands the Crown should provide wire-netting for one half of the common boundary free of cost.

9. That all main stock routes should be withdrawn from lease and license and be placed under the control of the local stock inspector.

10. That the Minister be asked to amend the present fencing law, so that each party using a fence as a natural boundary be liable for half the cost and the maintenance of the same, notwithstanding a road may intervene.

11. That the attention of the Minister be called to the unreasonable delay in getting the surrender of exchange lands, which in some cases near Hay has taken over two years and is not yet completed.

The Minister, in reply, said that as regarded the first resolution he proposed to embody the suggestion therein in his new Land Bill. (Hear, hear.) If a man had contracted to pay too much for his land there was no reason why he should continue to pay too much. (Hear, hear.) The reappraisement would apply to the lands of the whole of New South Wales. (Hear, hear.) With regard to the second resolution, that idea was carried out in the Western Lands Act, and it would be included in his new bill. (Hear, hear.) As to the third resolution the proposal was already decided upon. (Hear, hear.) With regard to the fourth resolution he proposed to appoint a competent board to decide what would be a living area. (Hear, hear.) He considered 5000 sheep was necessary to maintain a family. He would at once concede the request in the fifth resolution. With regard to the sixth resolution, he would say until the drought broke up that he would not forfeit any man's lease for non-payment of rent or non-residence. As to the seventh resolution, he could not comply with the request without an Act of Parliament; but he would further consider the matter. He would also carefully consider the suggestion in the eighth resolution. The new legislation he proposed might render it unnecessary to comply with the suggestion in the ninth resolution. He was strongly opposed to restricting the means of enabling stock to be removed from one place to another. He was also in favour of cheap railways to enable people to remove their stock in times of drought. (Hear, hear.) The suggestion in resolution 10 was already in his new bill. (Hear, hear.) With regard to the last resolution he was opposed to exchanges except in one holding and where required for consolidation purposes.

At the conclusion of the Minister's statement a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him and the proceedings terminated.

The Ministerial party leave to-morrow morning for Sydney.

NORTHERN RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

The tenth annual prize meeting of the Northern Rifle Association was commenced at the Singleton Rifle Range yesterday. The meeting extends over four days. The weather yesterday was not all that could be desired from a rifleman's point of view. Nevertheless, excellent shooting was the order of the day; indeed, a glance at the scores in the first stage of "The King's" is good evidence, and the record shown would be hard to beat. All the arrangements were in excellent order. The following are yesterday's results:—

THE DANGAR, 7 shots, 600 and 700 yards.

	600 yds.	700 yds.	Total.	
J. Orr, St. Leonards	34	33	67	£5
A. Chisholm, Kiama	34	32	66	£3
A. Campbell, Gerringong	32	32	64	£2
J. J. Mathieson, St. Leonards	33	31	64	£2
C. Morris, Goulburn	31	32	63	£2
C. E. Paine, 2nd Regiment	32	31	63	£2
H. Picket, Mittagong	32	31	63	£1
R. H. Walker, Kiama	33	30	63	£1
G. Lindsay, Wollongong	34	29	63	£1
H. Hicks, Wollongong	35	28	63	£1
H. Meaney, Engineers	30	32	62	£1
P. H. F. Neale, Penrith	31	31	62	£1
W. G. Rickwood, Naval Brigade	32	30	62	£1
E. Lennox, Penrith	33	29	62	£1
R. L. Brewer, Tamworth	31	30	61	£1
J. M'Kenzie, 5th Regiment	32	29	61	£1
W. G. Denham, Narrabri	32	29	61	£1
C. Carter, Glen Innes	32	29	61	£1
T. Cale, Wentworth Falls	34	27	61	£1
J. Keeley, Singleton	35	26	61	£1
C. E. Faux, Kiama	26	34	60	£1
S. Green, Police	27	33	60	£1
G. Wright, Kiama	30	30	60	£1
T. H. Kendal, Singleton	32	28	60	£1
J. Sharpe, Gerringong	32	28	60	£1
R. H. Neate, Blackheath	33	27	60	£1
A. Blatch, Bolli	26	33	59	£1
W. Coulter, Randwick R.C.	32	27	59	£1
J. Cork, Ulladulla	32	27	59	£1
W. Cooper, Staff	33	26	59	£1
R. Arblaster, Parramatta	29	29	58	£1
C. H. Toyer, 6th Regiment	30	28	58	£1
J. M'Creamer, Staff	31	27	58	£1
F. W. Panthin, Engineers	31	27	58	£1
A. Kefford, Bathurst	31	27	58	£1
T. Hill, Orange	31	27	58	£1
H. Hansard, Bathurst	31	27	58	£1
G. H. Burnes, Newcastle	31	27	58	£1
P. Fenn, Naval Brigade	32	26	58	£1
A. S. Kerford, Bathurst	32	26	58	£1

Three others who scored 58 were counted out.

THE KING'S PRIZE 1st stage, 7 shots, 400 and 500 yards.

	400 yds.	500 yds.	Total.	
T. H. Gore, Newcastle	34	35	69	£3
W. Cooper, Staff	34	35	69	£2
P. Fenn, Naval Brigade	35	34	69	£1
C. Simmons, Kiama	35	34	69	£1
P. M'Mullen, Lithgow	35	34	69	£1
R. H. Mowbray, Staff	33	35	68	£1
M. Donnellan, 2nd Regiment	33	35	68	£1
F. W. Panthin, Engineers	34	34	68	£1
H. Hicks, Wollongong	34	34	68	£1
C. Edwards, Goulburn	34	34	68	£1
J. Cork, Ulladulla	35	33	68	£1
A. Kefford, Bathurst	35	33	68	£1
T. Hill, Orange	35	33	68	£1
H. Hansard, Bathurst	35	33	68	£1
T. Cale, Wentworth Falls	32	35	67	£1
W. G. Denham, Narrabri	32	35	67	£1
F. W. Earp, Penrith	34	33	67	£1
W. G. Rickwood, Naval Brig.	34	33	67	£1
F. W. Silk, Maitland	34	33	67	£1

Three scores of 67 were counted out.

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IRRIGATION FOR RIVERINA.

A SCHEME FOR STATE AND PEOPLE.

MARVELLOUS RESULTS IN VICTORIA.

Mr. William Orr, M.L.C. of Victoria for the north-eastern province, stayed a few days in Sydney en route from Queensland. Mr. Orr, who is remembered as an enterprising pioneer citizen of Broken Hill, has devoted much attention to irrigation as a national undertaking and a great factor in the future development of the rural industries of at least two large districts in the Commonwealth.

"I was highly interested in the map which appeared in this morning's 'Sydney Morning Herald,'" said Mr. Orr to a representative of this paper at the Hotel Australia yesterday. "It indicated the largest tract of land suitable for irrigation in Australia."

"You believe then that Lower Riverina holds the greatest extent of country naturally adapted for irrigation?" suggested the reporter.

"First let me point out that a somewhat vague impression obtains as to the country to which water may be successfully applied. The fact is that there are two great districts in the Commonwealth which nature has fashioned so that marvellous results may be gained by applying water in a practical form. These are the large deltas lying between the Murrumbidgee and the Murray in New South Wales and that stretch between the Murray and the Goulburn in Victoria. You are aware that irrigation is most successful in country where the soil has been formed by water, and is really a porous, alluvial soil. Then it is highly necessary that the surface shall be level, with the slight fall that is indicated by the course of the rivers. Thus we see by the flow of the Murrumbidgee towards the Murray, and the Murray towards the sea, that the immense alluvial delta through which these rivers course after they are thoroughly clear of the foothills of the mountains is practically graded by nature for the application of water by gravitation. The same may be said of the other area—the Goulburn Valley in Victoria—and it may also be said that these characteristics are identical with the natural conditions of the great delta or Valley of the Nile."

"Have you seen irrigation in other lands?"

"Yes; in several of the States of America, notably Utah and Colorado, and while I was impressed with the wonderful results obtained from irrigation I was also struck by the fact that the areas on which irrigation has been most successful in America very closely resemble in their leading natural characteristics the areas in this State and Victoria which I have described."

"It is difficult, of course, for Australian settlers in general to realise what may be done by water, no great examples being at hand?"

"There are some examples, however, and although on a smaller scale than those of America, they show what can be done. The alluvial valley of the Lower Goulburn in Victoria is divided in twain by the river, and the land is similar on both sides. On the west side an irrigation trust exists under the Act, the water being supplied from the Goulburn, across which a great weir has been thrown higher up. Near Mooroopna is the irrigation settlement of Ardmona, which is chiefly a fruitgrowers' settlement. Here 2000 acres of irrigated land support in comfort 4000 people, while on the other side of the river the same area of similar land devoted to sheepfarming keeps some half-dozen souls. Mr. Simpson, of Ardmona, has 52 acres under table grapes, peaches, apricots, Zante currants, and prunes. Last year he sent to Melbourne from Mooroopna 10,000 cases of fruit, which realised £1500, and Mr. Simpson paid the Railway Department £200 freight on his fruit to Melbourne. This is only one example of dozens that could be quoted. Then look at what is done with live stock. Mr. George Pagan, a leading farmer, was fattening 400 sheep on 40 acres of irrigated lucerne; he had 60 head of cattle on 65 acres of irrigated lucerne, while Mr. Baxter, close by, had 80 head on 90 acres. The stock was in all cases being pastured permanently and fattened."

"Lucerne is largely used wherever irrigation is available?"

"Yes; it seems to be the natural resource, and indeed it is the greatest fodder plant in the world. By sowing it with a light crop of wheat or oats it can be planted at a cost of 6s 6d per acre, and as a Salt Lake City farmer said to me 'Lucerne is a crop for ever.' All Riverina is adapted for lucerne, and imagine what could be done in that country in producing lambs for the frozen market if irrigated lucerne could be used. Mr. Baxter, at Ardmona, had some Shropshire-crossed lambs last year, with which he made a remarkable sale. He actually sold the fat lambs at 18s per head in Melbourne, and their mothers on the same day at 22s. To carry out irrigation on a proper plan, however, the landholders must induce the Government to adopt a proper irrigation policy by accepting at the onset their share of the responsibility."

"I presume you have worked the matter out in some way, Mr. Orr?"

"Yes. I believe that a scheme can be placed before the people of Riverina which will ensure their support, and that in turn their concurrence will ensure its acceptance by the Parliaments. I have a property on the east side of the Goulburn River in Victoria, where at present there is no irrigation. In order to obtain the water it is necessary under the Act that a petition be signed by at least half of the landholders within the area it is sought to form into a trust, and a majority of the petitioners binds the whole. The Government then constitutes the area an irrigation trust, the landholders becoming responsible for the payment of the interest on capital borrowed to construct certain works. In our case we propose to embrace 200,000 acres in the trust, that the water be brought from the weir on the Goulburn, and that the Government construct the main channel into the district as a national work, the trust to borrow the money through the Government and construct the distributing channels. The capital cost of the latter would be £100,000, and the annual cost of maintenance supplying water, &c., £10,000. The loan would be a first charge on the lands within the trust, and the interest would be 4 per cent., thus allowing the State to make ½ per cent. after borrowing the money at 3½ per cent. The income, £10,000 a year, would be obtained by levying a rate of 1s per acre on the land, for which each owner would be entitled to give to half of his land four waterings of 3in. each annually, while provision will be made to sell further water for irrigation if applied for. Shortly put, the works will cost 10s per acre to construct, and 1s would be required to maintain these and provide 12 inches of water per year for half the area."

"This is the scheme you would recommend to the Riverina holders?"

"Roughly, yes. The great mistake of the Corowa conference was that the landholders were not prepared to place an assurance before the conference that they would be responsible for their portion of the outlay on these lines. Of course the three States which will probably divide the Murray waters will be responsible for the proportionate cost of all headworks, weirs, locks, and reservoirs as national works, but the people must do their share or those in other places who cannot obtain direct benefits from irrigation will certainly upset the proposals in Parliament."

"You believe the landholders will be recouped?"

"A hundredfold. Why, the increase in the value of their land when irrigation comes will be at least £2 per acre. There you have 1s an acre for 40 years. Then look at the increases of stock and produce, and from a national point of view contemplate the increase in the value of the public estate, the immense growth of railway revenue, and income tax, and the large outlet for surplus labour. I believe your Mr. O'Sullivan is a go-ahead man. Here is an opportunity for him to hand down the name of O'Sullivan to posterity. Let him establish a vigorous irrigation policy for New South Wales and carry it out with the support of the people."

Mr. H. G. M'Kinney, M. Inst. C.E., writes:—"While the map and the outline description in Thursday's 'Herald' give a very good idea of the schemes which have been proposed for Riverina, and of the works which have been carried out, there is one point to which I trust you will allow me to take exception. As a matter of fact, I designed the whole system of canals some years since. The cutting from the Murray River at Tuppal Creek, the cutting at Eagle Creek, and the cutting from the Edwards River to the Wakool were all initiated by me. As regards Yanko Creek, when I took that channel in hand in 1884 I found that previous work had been confined to deepening the tortuous channels and removing obstructions. The works which I recommended for cutting through the necks of bends and making a new offtake produced a much better effect at a much less cost."

THE GLAD HAND.

SYDNEY EXTENDS A HEARTY WELCOME.
OUR CITIZENS SHOW APPRECIATION IN PUBLIC UTTERANCES.

Lack of appreciation is not a failing with our citizens, and the advent of the "little conqueror" was received with the same display of enthusiasm that has spread all over the continent. Coming like a ray of sunshine to every household, raising burdens that many backs have borne for years, is enough to awaken the public to praise the like of which has never before been heard in this locality. The following case in point should interest everybody, and it is only one among thousands:—

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—May 8.

Allinga, s., 2241 tons, Captain K. A. Berg, from Cairns, via ports. Passengers—Misses M. Hunter, Marryatt, Sallows, R. Bain, Carey, Davidson, Mesdames Barry and child, Underwood and 2 children, Roe, J. Brown, G. Allen, Carey, Naion and child, Forsyth, Gibson and family (7), Messrs. T. Hollis, A. Bennett, D. Berry, W. Edgar, J. Pottinger, Turnbull, Hewsen, Roe, G. Nicoll, W. Shaw, R. Mathieson, J. Carey, Felles, Mrs. Tasker, Master Tasker, Mr. J. Bennett, Captain Brissendon, Messrs. A. Jardine, Underwood, J. R. Brown, G. Allen, Naion, J. Vance, Cameron, Barfoot, Townsend, Bowler, Hunter, Tasker, sen., Miss Tasker, Messrs. Langtree, Alves, Bendal, M'Gowan, Shirley, Blackham, O'Keefe, Rostron, Allen, Stringham, Ferguson, Tanner, M'Allister, Leishman, J. Fletcher, Perry, Tasker, and 38 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Adelaide, s., 1711 tons, Captain D. P. Davies, from Melbourne. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Ridley, Miss E. Knowles, Mr. and Mrs. Finche and 2 children, Mr. A. E. Ashney, Mrs. G. E. Ashney, Miss L. E. Ashney, Miss D. Ashney, Mr. W. W. Phillips, Mr. Goldman, Mr. J. J. M'Gough, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Cruickshank, Miss E. Gathercole, Mrs. Erichner and 3 children, Miss Leighton, Mr. and Mrs. Allen and 2 children, Miss Stewart, Mr. M'Lean, Miss Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, Mr. J. Rowan, Mrs. Miller and child, and 27 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill and Co., agents.

Tomki, s., 590 tons, Captain L. Paulsen, from Richmond River. Passengers—Mesdames S. C. Fraser, Clarke, Kintoee, Sullivan and family, Harris, James, Smith, Thompson and family, Naacke, Flannigan, Davis, Ellingsen, Brown, Harvey, Misses Harvey, M'Cully, Cusack, Manning, Cruickshank, Garvin, Smith, C. Brown, J. Johnson, S. C. Fraser, J. Barrie, Eaton, G. Godwin, Naack, J. R. Whiteman, Street, W. Street, J. Dunn, W. E. Evans, Beaver, Russell, Messrs. E. H. Davis, R. Williams, W. T. Ausby, C. A. Fletcher, and 17 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Tambo, s., 1000 tons, Captain G. F. Entwisle, from Hobart. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Parer, Farquharson, Mrs. Rowley, Misses Simmonds and Joan, Messrs. Waterworth, W. Adams, Davis, Willows, Tallerman, J. K. Stanton, Maling, and 91 in the second cabin. Huddart, Parker, and Co., agents.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Murray, s., 145 tons, Captain Peggs, from Moruya. John Aubin, agent.

Archer, s., 694 tons, Captain Walker, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Waipori, s., 1919 tons, Captain Rutter, from Devonport. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Bega, s., 567 tons, Captain Bishop, from Eden via ports. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Chingtu, s., 2268 tons, Captain R. Innes, from Newcastle. G. S. Yuill and Co., agents.

Moira, s., 2500 tons, Captain Watt, from Queensland. Burns, Philp, and Co., agents.

Illawarra, s., 532 tons, Captain Garde, from Shoalhaven. Illawarra S. N. Company, agents.

Turganten, s., 170 tons, Captain Aas, from Wollongong.

DEPARTURES.—May 8.

John Williams, s., for South Sea Islands.
Argus, s., for Brisbane.
Kumano Maru, J.M.S., for Japan, via ports.
Lady Lina, Italian ship, for Genoa.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—May 9.

Damascus, s., for Capetown and London, via ports; Sommerfield, s., for Hamburg, via Eastern ports; Gulf of Taranto, s., for London, via South Africa and ports; Peregrine, s., for Melbourne; Barwon, s., for Melbourne and Geelong; Allinga, s., for Melbourne; Albany, s., for Brisbane; Adelaide, s., for Brisbane; Namoi, s., for Newcastle; Narara, s., for Hawkesbury River; Wy Woy, s., for Gosford and Wyong; Macleay, s., for Richmond River; Bega, s., for Ulladulla, Clyde River, and Bateman's Bay; Coomonderry, s., for Moruya; I. S. N. Company's steamer for Wollongong, Kiama, and Shoalhaven.

CLEARANCES.—May 8.

Kumano Maru, J.M.S., 4655 tons, Captain Haswell, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports, with passengers as published yesterday.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—May 8.

Murray, s., Captain J. Duncan, for Moruya; Friendship, s., Captain J. Slyny, for Clarence River.

IMPORTS.—May 8.

Tambo, s., from Hobart: 10,356 cases 3029 half-cases fruit, 526 cases evaporated fruit, 325 cases desserts, 680 cases jam, 41 cases pulp, 9 cases fish, 13 bundles sheepskins, 49 bales hops, 291 bags bark, 41 bags oats, 55 hogsheads and 10 half hogsheads ale, 32 bags peas, 87 bags potatoes, 8000ft. timber, 405 bundles palings, and Queensland transhipments.

Allinga, s., from Queensland ports: 578 sacks sugar, 14 sacks peanuts, 14 bags oysters, 172 bags ore, 24 bags hides, 6756 bunches bananas, 244 cases bananas, 43 cases fruit, 200 cases T. sugar, 5 cases drapery, 1 case piano, 6 casks tallow, 2 bales hops, 5 bales skins, 1 bale wool, 7 casks bacon, 9 logs cedar, 42 pieces cedar, 1 horse, and quantity sundries.

Bega, s., from Eden, via ports: 1711 cheese, 380 cases butter, 425 bags bark, 50 bags maize, 30 bags bottles, 20 bags hides, 28 bags oysters, 32 bags maizena, 44 bags pumpkins, 15 coops poultry, 3 bales leather, 3 cases fish, 14 cases eggs, 3 head cattle, 123 pigs, and a quantity of empties and sundries.

Tomki, s., from Richmond River: 314 bags maize, 30 bags hides, 16 bags seed, 2 bags oysters, 42 bags pumpkins, 13 bags heads, 52 calves, 44 cases eggs, 16 cases bacon, 7 cases fish, 2 casks tallow, 2 casks lard, 27 coops poultry, 107 hides, 966 boxes butter, 11,531ft. sawn timber, 41 pigs, 30,000ft. boxwood, and sundries.

Waipori, s., from Devonport: 4259 bags potatoes, 3897 bags oats, 421 bags turnips, 84 bags mangolds, 11,329 bags chaff, 2023 bales straw, 82 bags peas, 120 bags ore, quantity of ironstone, and sundries.

La Belle, schooner, from Kaipara: 40 logs 177 flitches 29,796 pieces sawn timber.

May 9.

Persic, s., from Liverpool, via ports: 61 packages tobacco, 195 packages dry colours, 13 cases medicines, 10 cases bicycles, 150 packages oil stores, 83 cases soap, 10 boxes clocks, 20 barrels oil, 297 rolls paper, 40 quarter-barrels casings, 35 packages agricultural implements, 13 cases leather, 21 cases machine accessories, 25 cases tables, 17 casks tiles, 5061 bars and bundles iron, 37 coils wire rope, 1908 rolls wire netting, 200 packages droppers, 56 packages hardware, 27 cases shooks, 547 steel rails, 80 boxes nails, 43 cases shoe dressing, 268 packages drapery, 23 cases earthenware, 14 bales carpets, 220 bundles hoop iron, 27 cases mangles, 149 packages machinery, 598 single tubes, 24 cases mouthpieces, 99 drums bleaching powder, 178 bundles steel sheets, 17 casks chains, 13 cases boots and shoes, 16 packages castings, 100 boxes clothes pins, 540 steel billets, 18 cases sheepshears, 25 bars and bundles steel, 45 cases bolts and nuts, 18 bundles pulleys, 110 casks tar, 20 bundles galvanised wire, 28 packets rivets, 27 cases slippers, 19 cases iron, 20 packages paper sugar bags, 20 casks chalk, 3263 steel plates, 16 crates leather boards, 1397 packages unspecified merchandise, and sundries; also cargo for transhipment.

EXPORTS.—May 8.

Kumano Maru, J.M.S., for Japan, via ports: 261 bales wool, 58 bales leather, 226 cases fruits, 15 cases salmon, 70 packages vegetables, 24 coils rope, 1176 pieces kauri, 16 boxes butter, 15 cases vinegar, 167 packages fungus, 18 boxes gold (£11,301), 544 crates onions, 133 bales hemp, 685 bars lead, 318 bags sinews and bones, 24 casks tallow, 490 bags sulphate ammonia, 300 barrels cocoanut oil, 38 bales flax, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: May 8, Barcoo, s., from Townsville; Innamincka, s., from Cooktown; Burwah, s., from Rockhampton; Eurimbla, s., from Rockhampton.

BUNDABERG.—Arrival: May 8, Tinana, s., from Brisbane.

GLADSTONE.—Arrival: May 8, Julia Percy, s., from Brisbane.

KEPPEL BAY.—Departure: May 8, Leura, s., for Townsville.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arrival: May 8, Mareeba, s., from Sydney.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arrival: May 8, Birksgate, s., from Cairns.

CAIRNS.—Arrival: May 8, Aramac, s., from Brisbane.

COOKTOWN.—Departure: May 8, Maranoa, s., for Brisbane. Passed: Banffshire, s., bound south.

YAMBA.—Arrival: May 8, Kallatina, s., from Sydney. Departure: May 8, Nymboida, s. 14ft. on bar at to-day's tide.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: May 8, Moira, s., from Brisbane; Sydney, s., Tamar, s., Kamona, s., Albany, s., Helen Nicol, s., Alice, s., Hannah Nicholson, Isabelle, Jones Brothers, schooners, from Sydney. Departures: May 8, Commandant Marchant, barque, for San Francisco, with 3021 tons East Greta coal; Lord Cairns, ship, for San Francisco, with 2071 tons Northern Extended coal; Galgabba, ketch, Stanley, schooner, for Cape Hawke; Glaucus, s., for Melbourne, with 1820 tons coal; Albany, s., for Queensland ports, via Sydney, with 500 tons coal; Kamona, s., for Devonport, via Kembla, with 850 tons coal; Dongola, s., for Natal, with 1800 tons coal; Caterina Accama, ship, for Valparaiso, with 2600 tons Waratah coal; Moira, s., for Brisbane, via Sydney, with 800 tons coal; Countess of Errol, schooner, Tamar, s., Wallsend, s., Sydney, s., for Sydney. Departure: Selkirkshire, barque, for Guayaquil, with 1683 tons Wallsend coal.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 8, Persic, s., at 9 a.m., north; Wakatipu, s., at 12.40 p.m., north; Pilbarra, s., 3.20 p.m., north; Neptune, barquentine, at 3.15 p.m., north; Kalgoorlie, s., at 1.50 p.m., west; Barrier, s., at 5.5 p.m., west.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: May 8, Mariner, schooner, from Adelaide; Wodonga, s., from Sydney; Lincolnshire, s., from Manchester; Airlie, s., from Hongkong. Departures: May 8, Oruba, R.M.S., for Sydney; Flora, s., for Devonport.

PORT ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: May 7, Columbian, s., from the Cape. May 8, Rome, R.M.S., from Melbourne; Weimar, G.M.S., from Melbourne; Iris, barque, from Western Australia. Departures: May 8, Columbian, s., for Melbourne; Rome, R.M.S., for London.

ALBANY.—Passed: May 7, China, R.M.S., east. May 8, Gabo, s., east.

FREMANTLE.—Arrival: May 7, Aberon, from Glasgow.

PORT HEADLAND.—Arrival: May 7, Kolya, s., from Fremantle.

BUNBURY.—Arrival: May 7, Perth, s., from South Australia.

(From the Board at the Telegraph Office.)

TWEED HEADS.—May 8, Gwendoline, schooner, barbound, at 3.30 p.m.; Augusta, s., at 5.20 p.m. Passed: Lake Arawatta, s., at 10.40 a.m., north.

BYRON BAY.—Arrival: May 8, Cavanba, s., at 9.30 a.m.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS.—Arrival: May 8, St. George, s., at 8 a.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: May 8, Kallatina, s., at 6 a.m. Departure: Nymboida, s., at 8.10 a.m.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: May 8, Nymboida, s., at 1 p.m., south; Oakland, s., at 4 p.m., north.

BELLINGER HEADS.—Departures: May 7, Rosedale, s., at 9 p.m., for Port Macquarie. May 8, Volunteer, tug, at 6 a.m., for Solitary Island.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Arrival: May 8, Defender, s., at 7.30 a.m., from Sydney.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: May 8, Burrawong, s., at 7.10 p.m. Departure: May 8, Macleay, s., at 9 a.m. Passed: Oakland, s., at 9.20 a.m., north.

TRIAL BAY.—Arrival: May 8, Macleay, s., in bay.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrivals: May 8, Rosedale, s., at 6.30 a.m., Hastings, s., at 8 a.m. Departure: Rosedale, s., at 9 a.m. Passed: One of German Company's steamers at 10.10 a.m., north.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: May 8, Burrawong, s., at 2.30 p.m., Buninyong, s., at 2.50 p.m., both north.

CROWDY HEAD.—Passed: May 8, Peregrine, s., at 3 p.m., south.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrivals: May 8, Commonwealth, s., at 9 a.m., Willinga, schooner, at 4.45 p.m., both from Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: May 8, Kincumber, s., at 3.5 p.m., north; Rosedale, s., at 5.20 p.m., south.

PORT STEPHENS.—Departure: May 8, Willinga, schooner, left Nelson's Bay at 8.30 a.m. Passed: Stanley, schooner, at 1.30 p.m., north.

BELLAMBI.—Arrival: May 8, Duckenfield, s., at 7 a.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: May 8, Illawarra, s., at 11.20 a.m., from Kiama. Departures: May 8, Tongauten, s., at 11.20 a.m., Sphene, s., at 5 p.m., both for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departure: May 8, Illawarra, s., at 6.40 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: May 8, one of Howard Smith's steamers at 12.30 p.m., south.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: May 8, Peterborough, s., at 9.30 a.m., for Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS.—Passed: May 8, a large schooner-rigged steamer with yellow funnel at 1.30 p.m.; Kittawa at 4 p.m., Persic at 5 p.m., all north.

BERMAGUI SOUTH.—Departure: May 8, Allowrie, s., at 11.15 a.m., for Tathra.

EDEN.—Arrival: May 8, Wakatipu, s., at 3 p.m., from Launceston. Departure: May 8, Wakatipu, s., at 3.45 p.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: May 8, Kittawa, s., at 6.50 a.m., Persic, s., at 10.55 a.m., a vessel like three-masted barque at 2.10 p.m., Pilbarra, s., at 5.25 p.m., all north.

STANLEY.—Arrival: May 7, Easby, s., during night, from Melbourne.

BURNIE.—Arrival: May 8, Easby, s., at 12.30 p.m., from Melbourne.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: May 8, Kalgoorlie, s., at 12.15 p.m., west; Neptune, barquentine, at 3.15 p.m., Pilbarra, s., at 3.20 p.m., both north; Barrier, s., at 5.5 p.m., west; steamer, white funnel, black top, at 5.10 p.m., north; steamer, black funnel, at 5.30 p.m., west.

WYNYARD.—Departure: May 8, Jane Morehead, ketch, at 11 a.m., for Melbourne.

DOVER.—Arrival: May 8, Acacia, barque, at 4 p.m., from Melbourne.

MACQUARIE HEADS (TAS.).—Departure: May 8, Orowaiti, s., at 4.20 p.m., for Melbourne.

BUNBURY.—Arrival: May 7, Perth, s., at 9.15 p.m., from Adelaide.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

WELLINGTON.—Arrival: Waihora, s., from Sydney.

(For Continuation of Shipping Intelligence see page 8.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 43 years, 49·828.
Rainfall from January 1, 7·559.
Temperature.—Maximum, 71·9; minimum, 56·1.
Humidity.—9 a.m., 58°; 3 p.m., 46°.

STATE OF BAROMETERS.

Carnarvon, 30·17; Gascoigne, 30·26; Perth, 30·36; Esperance Bay, 30·32; Eucla, 30·26; Streaky Bay, 30·17; Adelaide, 30·03; Robe, 29·88; Portland, 29·82; Melbourne, 29·83; Wilson's Promontory, 29·71; Gabo Island, 29·72; Cape St. George, 29·80; Sydney 29·87; Newcastle, 29·92; Port Macquarie, 30·00; Clarence Heads, 29·92; Brisbane, 29·99; Rockhampton, 30·04; Cooktown, 30·06.

RAINFALLS.

New South Wales (24 hours preceding 9 a.m.).—Albury 1 point, Coonabarabran 2, Henty 1, Kiandra 8, Moss Vale 2, Wentworth 1, Corowa 2, Adaminaby 2.

At 9 a.m. it was cloudy and dull generally; showery at Kiandra.

3 p.m.: Showery at Deniliquin and Gabo Island.

6 p.m.: Deniliquin 7 points, Kiandra 9, Wentworth 1, Balranald 3.

SYNOPSIS AT 6 A.M.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ending 9 a.m.).—Cloudy, threatening conditions again prevailed throughout the State, but only a few insignificant falls were registered; at 9 a.m. to-day it was cloudy along the western slopes, and threatening rain in eastern Riverina, and showery at Kiandra; fine weather reported from other parts of the State.

Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy to raining on the coast.

South Australia.—Cloudy to gloomy generally; showers in places over coastal districts.

Queensland.—Cloudy along southern border districts, fine and clear elsewhere.

Western Australia.—Cloudy to showery on the south coast; in other parts fine and clear.

Tasmania.—Cloudy to showery generally.

Northern Australia.—Generally fine.

New Zealand.—Dull over central and northern districts, clear in the south.

New Caledonia.—Cloudy at Gomen.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 6 P.M.

Tweed Heads, N., strong, fine, sea heavy; Byron Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, N., cloudy, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, calm, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, W., light, fine, sea moderate; Manning Heads, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, W., light, cloudy, sea smooth; South Head, S.W., light, hazy, sea slight; Wollongong, W., fresh, cloudy, sea slight; Kiama, W., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, W., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, W., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Ulladulla, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, W., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, S.W., moderate, gloomy, sea smooth; Eden, S.S.W., light, cloudy, sea slight; Green Cape, S.W., light, cloudy, misty, sea slight; Gabo Island, W., fresh, showery, sea slight.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Cold and squally W. to S.W. winds; showers in Riverina and on southern coast and highlands.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Still cold, squally, and showery over coastal and south parts, with winds from N.W. and S.W.; rough sea; weather getting finer to-morrow, barometers rising.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Cloudy, cold, and showery weather, more especially in coastal districts, fresh W. and S.W. winds, squally at times along the coast, rough sea.—P. Baracchi.

Western Australia.—Fine weather throughout, with possibly a few light showers on the south coast; cold, frosty nights inland.—W. E. Cooke.

FORECASTS BY MR. C. L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Mild conditions generally, and matters again favourable for rain of a showery nature east from a line joining Walgett, Deniliquin, and Omeo. Strong north-westerly to south-westerly currents south from Port Jackson, with fresh to rough seas under the influence of the Antarctic disturbance "Bealoth," now central over Tasmania.

Victoria.—Unsettled, stormy, and wet under strong N.W. to W. winds; areas of rough sea under "Bealoth."

Western Australia.—Still cloudy to showery in south-west and southern districts, otherwise fair; winds variable.

Central Australia and Northern Territory.—Again fine to cloudy under prevailing S.E. to E. winds.

South Australia.—Fine but cloudy in far north, cloudy to showery under strong winds in the southern division.

Queensland.—Very mixed but fair weather will be the prevailing phenomenon; scattered electric disturbances and capricious rain at isolated inland places, but more particularly confined to the Pacific littoral and on the Darling Downs.

New Zealand, Norfolk Island, and Fiji.—Cloudy to showery under south-east to easterly currents.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MAY 9.

Sun rises at 6.36, sets at 5.0; Moon, 7.53 a.m., 6.9 p.m.; Mercury, 7.34 a.m., 5.41 p.m.; Venus, 2.55 a.m., 3.5 p.m.; Mars, 5.32 a.m., 4.46 p.m.; Jupiter, 11.14 p.m., 12.56 p.m.; Saturn, 9.47 p.m., 11.54 a.m.

New moon, May 8; full moon, May 22.

High water at Fort Denison, 9.4 a.m., 9.27 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
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Richmond River.—Macleay, 4 p.m.
Launceston, via Melbourne.—Australian, 5.30 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Flora, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Port Macquarie and Bellinger River.—Rosedale, 8 a.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Monowai, 11 a.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Tongariro, 11 a.m.
Hobart.—Tambo, 11 a.m.
Richmond River.—St. George, 1 p.m.
Brisbane.—Tyrian, 2 p.m.
Clarence River.—Nymboida, 8 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 9.30 p.m.
‡Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Kalgoorlie, 9.30 p.m.
Cooktown, Thursday Island, British New Guinea, and Gulf Ports, via Brisbane.—Maranoa, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Launceston and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Eden.—Wakatipu, 10 a.m.
Eden.—Allowrie, 11 a.m.
Macassar, Sourabaya, and Batavia, via Brisbane.—Sommerfeld, 3.45 p.m.
Manning River.—Electra, 5 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Byron Bay.—Cavanba, 11 a.m.
Cairns, Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Hongkong, Manila, and Japan.—Chingtu, 11 a.m.
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R.M.S. Ormuz (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Ormuz, 5.30 p.m.
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The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 1902.

Mr. Bennet Burleigh states that the burghers in the refugee camps regard peace as certain.

The military are pessimistic, and are preparing for an increasingly vigorous campaign.

Another sweeping movement has taken place in the Orange River Colony. Over 200 Boers were captured. There were no British casualties.

The prisoners constitute a portion of the most irreconcilable of the Free Staters. Many horses and cattle were also captured.

Colonel Cooper has relieved Ookiep, in Namaqualand. The enemy retired southward.

The miners at Concordia surrendered on condition that their mines were not damaged. The enemy has left Concordia.

Turkey is sending large shipments of Mauser rifles to Tripoli.

The London County Council is trying to purchase St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Smithfield, and Christ's Hospital, Newgate-street, for headquarters.

Sir. W. V. Harcourt will move an amendment to the Finance Bill opposing the duties on grain and other articles of first necessity.

General Palma, President-elect of Cuba, will oppose a commercial treaty with the United States until the duty on Cuban sugar is reduced from above 25 per cent.

It is expected that from £4,000,000 to £5,000,000 will be available to carry out the bequests of the late Mr. Cecil Rhodes.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag has agreed to the construction of the first section of the railway from Dar-es-Salaam, German East Africa, to Mrogoro.

The eruption of Mount Pelee, Martinique, continues. One hundred and fifty persons have been killed by the eruption.

The German squadron was welcomed by the Channel Fleet at Berehaven.

The depreciation in the value of silver has increased the indemnity to be paid by China to the Powers by 90,000,000 taels.

The heavy demands made upon the taxpayers is causing widespread agitation in Southern China.

The United States Fishery Commissioners announce that the artificial introduction of shad and other food fishes into the Pacific has been attended with amazing success.

At the Primrose League on Thursday Lord Salisbury, speaking in regard to federation, said: "We cannot safely interfere by legislation with the natural development of our relations with the colonies."

"If we are patient and careful," the Prime Minister added, "a tremendous destiny is before us."

The match between the Australian Eleven and London County was abandoned owing to drenching rain.

The delegates of Austria and Hungary have met at Buda Pesth.

The Emperor Francis Joseph said that the continued friendly agreement with Russia in the Near East was particularly calculated to fortify peace and good order in the Balkans.

Count Goluchowski said that the renewal of the Triple Alliance was impending, and he described the Franco-Russian Alliance as a highly valuable compliment to it.

He also eulogised the Anglo-Japanese agreement.

The condition of Queen Wilhelmina is reported to be improving.

Forty thousand well armed insurgents are renewing the attacks on the churches and missionaries in Chih-li. The Government troops failed to suppress the rising, and the officials are seeking to pacify the rebels with gifts and money.

Owing to a protest, the London "Sportsman" has ceased publishing its Melbourne correspondent's attacks on the Australian team and the Melbourne Club.

The Florrie Ellison, which went aground on the Manning bar on Sunday, has become a total wreck.

The Eden Progress Association at its last meeting resolved that as it was convinced of the solidarity of the Empire, and of the loyalty of the people of Eden, it was unnecessary to form a local branch of the Empire League.

A meeting of the New South Wales Wine Association was held at the Agricultural Grounds yesterday afternoon for the purpose of tasting the wines that had won prizes at the recent show. It was declared that Australian wines had improved in quality.

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A report prepared for the Board of Health upon portion of the borough of Redfern contains some strong remarks upon the state of affairs which exists in the localities dealt with.

At its last meeting the New South Wales Timber Industries' Association resolved to join the Taxpayers' Union.

At Hay yesterday the Minister for Lands was shown the method adopted of feeding starving sheep. Subsequently he was entertained at a banquet.

The tenth annual prize meeting of the Northern Rifle Association was commenced at Singleton on Wednesday. The shooting was excellent.

The work of opening the State coal mine near Greymouth (N.Z.) has begun.

Operations are in progress for launching the barque Alexandre, which was stranded on the west coast of New Zealand some months ago.

The Water and Sewerage Board adheres to its decision not to make clause 21 of its Amendment Act (exempting religious and charitable institutions from water rates) apply to sewerage and drainage.

At the M.U. grand committee meeting yesterday it was resolved to adhere to the Friendly Societies' Association.

A motion was carried opposing the representation on the association of any society "whose semi-political objects are considered inimical to the best interests of bona fide friendly societies."

A verdict of suicide was returned yesterday in regard to the death of Mr. W. J. Baker, bank manager, whose dead body had been found at the rear of the Commercial Bank, Coonamble, with a bullet wound in the head.

The session of the Presbyterian General Assembly of New South Wales was continued yesterday. The finance report showed that the gross revenue amounted to £88,843 2s 6d, and the gross expenditure to £88,686 2s.

The members of the House of Representatives engaged in inspecting proposed federal capital sites have visited Orange and Bathurst. It is expected that the party will arrive in Sydney to-morrow and leave on Monday for Nowra.

Preliminary steps have been taken to refer the issue between the Breadcarters' Union and the employers to the Arbitration Court.

The fifth (New South Wales) battalion of the Commonwealth Horse is now completed, and 20 supernumeraries, who have passed all necessary tests, are retained to fill any vacancies that may occur.

The Oakey (Q.) coalminers have struck work.

In a speech at Hay Mr. Crick said that if the number of members of the Assembly was to be reduced the reduction must take place in the settled portions of the State. He was determined that he would be no party to a reduction of the number of country representatives.

Owing to the promoters of the fancy fair in aid of the Anglican Cathedral at Grafton continuing to dispose of goods by lottery Archdeacon Moxon has tendered to the Bishop his resignation of the Grafton parish.

At a meeting held at the Australia Hotel yesterday it was resolved to form a property-owners' defence association.

The death is announced of Mr. A. L. Tucker, formerly Minister for Lands, Victoria.

The commission of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria has adopted a resolution affirming that the time is opportune for the withdrawal of any claim of France to the New Hebrides, and urging Mr. Barton to press the matter on the attention of Mr. Chamberlain.

A new break-of-gauge contrivance has been subjected to successful trials at Albury.

Meetings of local bodies and of citizens have been held at Goulburn and other places in advocacy of Parliamentary reform.

For 10 months of the financial year in Western Australia the receipts have exceeded the disbursements by £334,612.

Last night the Sydney Labour Council carried a resolution opposing the reduction of the number of members of the Legislative Assembly.

The steamer Boveric, one of the largest cargo-carriers owned in Australia, is 48 days out from Melbourne to Durban, and is nearly three weeks overdue. Having lost her propellor on April 3 she has since been helplessly drifting.

The vessel has 900 horses on board. Her chief officer and three members of the crew have been picked up by the steamer Willyama from a lifeboat.

At the Synagogue last evening a society was formed for the purpose of facilitating the apprenticing of Jewish boys and girls.

The Newcastle Wharf-labourers' Union and the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company have each prepared cases for submission to the Arbitration Court.

Mr. See was entertained at a banquet at Grafton last night, and in the course of a speech referred to some important features of the Government policy.

Two additional cases of plague were reported yesterday.

Dr. Wray, Government medical officer at Brisbane, has died of plague.

The Governor-General and the Countess Hopetoun were present at the Adelaide Cup Meeting on Wednesday.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday there was an absence of buoyancy as far as investment securities were concerned, the general tone in fact being easier.

Amongst mining companies a moderate volume of business was transacted.

In the Import market trade was restricted.

At the London wool sales on Wednesday biddings were brisk, and the opening day's prices were fully maintained.

POLITICS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

We may not at the moment in this State feel the urgency of economy which presses upon South Australia, but we are interested in the state of things arising out of the first election of the reformed Legislature just held. The case is that South Australia may have in June next a deficiency of upwards of £120,000, and under the federal tariff as passed by the House of Representatives this deficiency will not be reduced, if it be not increased. The Government of the province first made a move towards equalising the public accounts by economies in the cost of government, and South Australia enjoys the position, not for the first time in its history, of having shown the way to the other States of Australia. The general election held on Saturday testified in the reduced number of seats, for both Houses of Legislature to this economical policy, and the retirement of two Ministers before the election was another proof. The new Houses come back from their constituents with no mandate except this of financial adjustment. The Government's proposals, as we showed the other day, contemplated increase of taxation, and not reduction of expense only. In Queensland the first fruits of fiscal difficulty are the reduction of the Public Service. So far the Ministry at Adelaide has made no move in that direction, but with a Public Service such as that of the province it would be hard to make great economies. In South Australia the numbers and the salaries of servants of the State are kept close to the actual needs. The proposals of the Jenkins Government are practically to raise new revenue by the stamp tax, the income tax, and the land tax. Our correspondent at Adelaide states that the indications are that this programme will be adopted, less some modifications in detail, such as making the exemption in the case of the income tax rather higher than the Premier proposes.

As to the personal or the party complexion of the new Legislature the only change of significance is the reduction of the labour or socialist section. That party has now only two members of the Council and five members of the Assembly, and unless some rather unexpected divergences should separate the Government and the Opposition it will be hardly possible that it should constitute the balance of power. This effacement of the advanced wing of politicians is, however, the less remarkable, for the socialist party had apparently no constructive policy. Whatever policy its candidates had the constituencies refused to endorse, for only half those candidates came back. Experience proves that the direct Labour party suffers a loss of numbers when it is not in the position of the power behind the throne. No doubt the result of the election of last Saturday in South Australia will deepen the hostility with which the advanced party regards all attempts at reduction of members and economies in government. In Victoria and in this State the popular demand for reform is not shared by that party which assumes to represent the popular side in politics. Unquestionably this fact makes the task of reform more laborious, for the Labour party if it would but aid the movement for reducing the pressure of taxation upon the community—and hardly any more truly popular cry can be conceived—would sway a mass of votes which may either be cast against reform altogether or be diverted into unprofitable channels. However, what remains to be seen is how far Mr. Jenkins and his colleagues may be able to get support for their policy. South Australia is honourably distinguished for her resolute policy of living within her means, and even while cherishing and pursuing ambitious plans her public men have seldom been diverted from allegiance to sound finance.

THE PRINCE ALFRED HOSPITAL PAVILIONS.

The proposal to erect the two new wings of the Prince Alfred Hospital, the one by contract and the other by day labour, is an experiment which will be watched with considerable interest. From time to time comparisons have been instituted between the cost of works carried out under contract and by day labour. The figures given have apparently, in some cases, proved that day labour is the cheaper of the two. The comparisons, however, have never been conclusive. It is obvious that if two experiments are compared for the purpose of showing which gives the better result, it is essential that they should be made under similar conditions. Thus we may take, as a case in point, a section of road work. Can we be certain that where the work is carried out by day labour there is the same exactness in the measurements as there is when the contractor's profit depends upon his getting as much work as he pays for? The assumption is, when the Government department prepares an estimate of the cost of a work, and tenders are called for, all of which are greatly above the estimate, that if the work is done at a cost which is within the margin allowed, it is conclusive proof that day labour is more economical than contract work. It is taken for granted that the superintendence of the departmental officials entails less outlay than the cost of superintendence by the contractor's officers and the profit which the contractor expects to make. In some instances it may be so; but it does not follow that it would be so in every case. Moreover it is forgotten that these experiments are in the nature of competitive tests, and that whatever incentives this may supply for making the day labour test conclusive will be absent if day labour entirely supersedes contract work.

In comparing works in different localities and carried out at different times there are obviously many considerations to be taken into account before a trustworthy result can be arrived at. Local conditions which affect the supply of material and labour as well as the varying cost of the material are all important items which it is next to impossible to adjust accurately. Most of these elements will be absent from the work at Prince Alfred Hospital. To all appearance the two experiments will be going on at the same time and under similar conditions. But here again it must be noted that the element of competition which is a controlling feature of contract work will be dominant, whereas it would be absent if day labour were entirely to supersede contract labour in Government undertakings. But though this element of competition will be present the contractor will be hampered by having the wages he must offer fixed for him by the Government policy as to the minimum wage. The position will be somewhat similar to two sets of partners playing a game of whist in competition. To make the competition a real test of the players' skill precisely the same hands should be held by the one set of players as are held by the others. In this instance the cards are not similar. The effect of the Government policy has been to create a prejudice against the contractor, and under the present conditions of the labour market to give the Government the pick of the workmen. Pursuing the analogy still further, the Government insists that the hand to be played shall be one in which it controls the distribution of the cards. There remains also the fact that both classes of work will have to be approved by departmental officials. They would be placed in an awkward position if their decision should be adverse to the policy on which the Department has so largely entered.

The bare issue as to the relative economic advantages of day and contract labour is misleading. Everyone will admit that there are cases in which day labour is to be preferred. It is so in ordinary life, and the Government undertakings are no exception to the rule. But there is no getting away from the fact that in the great majority of private transactions the essential element of the contract system is present. The workman who insists upon receiving a minimum wage, upon what shall be reckoned as overtime, and upon the additional sum he shall be paid for it, does not indeed call for tenders for the supply of his food and clothing. But he keenly watches the tenders which are offered in the price lists of the shopkeepers, and he takes advantage of the opportunities which this system gives him of getting goods cheaper in one place than in another. One shopkeeper may have a stock of goods which he is anxious to turn into money, and therefore he is willing to sell them at little or no profit, because he can use the money to advantage. The buyer does not scruple to take advantage of the opportunity. This is of the essence of the contract system. One contractor may have a large stock of material available, or be able to command a certain class of labour which will enable him to carry out a particular work at a cheaper rate than another contractor. Why should the public be deprived of an advantage which the private person is quick to use? The system of unrestricted competition may not be the best system that can be devised. It sometimes leads to serious abuses. But competition is universal, and even the strong argument advanced in favour of protective duties is that they will quicken local competition and lead to cheaper production. It is quite certain, however, that the best results cannot be gained, and that the possible abuses are likely to be increased, if competition is to fight with one of its arms tied. Yet this is practically what is done in the so-called experiments for testing the relative economic and social advantages of contract and day labour.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

The outlook for peace, though it still remains uncertain, continues to offer favourable indications. Our cables report the receipt of information at Pretoria pointing to the existence of a more reasonable frame of mind among the commandos in the field. It was expected that these stubborn fighters would provide the most serious obstacles to a successful conclusion of the peace negotiations, but it now appears that the delegates have succeeded in persuading them to accept British terms. The followers of Botha and Beyers will endorse the judgment of their leaders, and there is ground for believing that those brave commandants who have sufficiently shown their courage in the field will have the moral courage to counsel their men to submit in time to the inevitable. The only difficulty anticipated at present will come from some of the Boers under the command of Delarey, but the action of that leader in the Methuen incident seems to show that so far as his personal influence is concerned it will be used on the side of reason and peace. Strange to say, the only real discordant note just now comes from Lord Salisbury. Speaking before the Primrose League, he took the opportunity to declare that the Government has not in any way receded from its original position. The actual cause of this declaration is not apparent at this precise time. As the situation has been publicly explained and understood, the conditions of peace are simple enough, and clearly not such as would allow the Boers to renew the issue. If peace is concluded it will, of course, be on the terms already laid down.

IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

Though it is said that when the Coronation is over Lord Salisbury is likely to take his leave of politics, he is still the British Premier, and when he utters words of counsel and warning on one of the popular subjects of the hour we may reasonably invest his caution with the weight it will have in many quarters. Speaking at a Primrose meeting he made reference to the help of the colonies in the Boer war. That by itself would be no remarkable passage even from a statesman of Lord Salisbury's reserve, but it is significant that he passed from this recognition of the part taken by Greater Britain in upholding the mother country in this conflict, to a pointed warning on the dangers of Imperial federation. That immense volume of sympathy and help which had flowed like a tide from the remote shores of the Empire back to Britain was not the product of legislation or of official arrangements. It was the free spirit and impulse of men who value as they should their British citizenship, but who do not value less their institutions of self-government. There is to be a discussion at the Imperial Conference next month in London on the large questions involved in the phrase Imperial federation. The idea of some closer legislative and official relationship, some partnership in the destinies as well as the responsibilities of empire which in reality we share, has long been entertained, but those who have most studied the questions underlying an arrangement of that nature are least disposed to hasten the future by Act of Parliament or even by decisions in conference. A people so attached to self-government as ours, and so successful in slowly evolving modes of government adapted to immensely widening areas, numbers, and wealth, will not fail to arrive at some sound and enduring basis of agreement among the various parts of the Empire.

The Search for the Federal Capital Site.—The federal party viewed Lyndhurst and Bathurst yesterday, the former before 10 a.m., and the latter in the afternoon. There was no speech-making, the whole time being devoted to sight seeing. The party left Bathurst at about 5 p.m., and will reach Armidale this morning.

The Embankment at Prospect Dam.—Mention was made in the report of the Royal Commission on Sydney Water Supply regarding a certain movement which had taken place in the embankment at Prospect dam. Mr. L. P. Moline, who was engineer to the contractors for the construction of the dam, having read details of the evidence in the newspapers, has written offering his services to the Commission. During his visit to Melbourne on business connected with the Inter-State Commission on the Murray River, Mr. J. Davis, chairman of the Water Supply Commission, took occasion to interview this gentleman. It has been arranged that Mr. Moline should leave for Sydney on Saturday next. He will inspect the dam and give evidence before the Commission, it being considered that his intimate connection with the work during progress specially fits him to give valuable advice, both as regards the cause of the movement and the best treatment to be adopted for remedying any defects that may exist.

Electric Lighting of the City.—Inquiry at the Town Hall yesterday elicited the information that the time expired on Wednesday for receiving tenders for the supply, delivery, and erection of the plant and machinery required for the complete equipment of the proposed electricity supply station and sub-stations in connection with the lighting of the city. Messrs. Preece and Cardew, Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, were authorised by the City Council to receive the tenders, and they will make recommendations to the council on the three most suitable from those received. Out of the number recommended by Messrs. Preece and Cardew the City Council will accept the tender which they consider the most suitable.

Roof of the Central Railway Station.—The Works Department is desirous that the services of Professor Warren should be obtained for the purpose of checking the calculations of stresses and revising the connections in the roof of the new central railway station. It is pointed out that this roof will rank amongst the largest in the world, and in its construction the greatest precautions are called for. It is considered that the officer of the department are in every way capable of carrying out the necessary calculations, but at the same time Mr. O'Sullivan has thought it desirable to obtain the assistance of some expert outside the Department, in whom, if any point were called into question, the public could have confidence. No one, Mr. O'Sullivan states, is better fitted to fulfil this service than Professor Warren, and the Minister is now in communication with the University Senate with a view to obtaining the approval of that body to Professor Warren acting in this capacity.

Wood Blocks at Circular Quay.—The City Council has again brought under the notice of the State Minister for Works the bad state of the wood pavement at Circular Quay, about which numerous complaints have been made. As the matter is one which comes under the jurisdiction of the Harbour Trust Mr. O'Sullivan has referred the council to that body.

A Brick Carters' Grievance.—The Minister for Works was interviewed yesterday afternoon by members of the Brick Carters' Union, who were introduced by Mr. Fallick, M.L.A., and who objected to the proposal to convey the bricks to be used for the building of the new penitentiary at Little Bay by means of trams, instead of calling in the service of brick carters in the ordinary way. It was explained that the union was 800 strong; that many men were in want of employment; and that great hardship would ensue to the workers if the tramway was utilised instead of horses and carts. The Minister explained that tenders were called for in the usual manner. It was found that the bricks could be delivered much cheaper by using the tram than by carting them out to the site of the work. The question of the employment of what he might call "machinery" in connection with buildings was a very important one, and occasionally because of the employment of machinery the worker suffered. In any case, however, where it could be shown that bricks could be carted to works as cheaply as conveying them in other ways he would see that it was done, as he was certainly in favour of giving working men as much employment as possible.

A Rich Marble Quarry.—Recently a marble deposit was exploited at Borenore, some 16 miles from Molong, by local people, and the result of tests carried out proving satisfactory large blocks were taken out and sent to Sydney. The marble proved to be of rich colour, incarnadined to a great extent, and remarkably free from flaws. Messrs. Creak and Ford, of 195 George-street West, sawed a block into slabs, and treated it in order to test its practical utility and susceptibility of polish and found it satisfactory. A mantel of considerable beauty was made from this State natural product, and was inspected yesterday by a number of people. The manufactured article bore a very handsome appearance, and gave indications of durability and hardness, with a richness of colouring that stamps the natural deposit as a rich and artistic one. The marble is said to be present in the quarry in practically inexhaustible quantities, and to be easily accessible. One four-ton block and several of less weight are under treatment by Messrs. Creak and Ford. Compared with the Belgian rouge and French rosie marbles the Borenore marble appears to much advantage. It is reported to be specially adapted for interior and mural decorations.

The Fijian Constabulary.—At the Victoria Barracks yesterday afternoon the members of the Fijian Constabulary, garbed and painted in native fighting fashion, gave an exhibition of their grotesque dancing and singing before a fairly numerous audience of ladies and gentlemen. At the conclusion of the performance, which was held on the green, they presented Brigadier-General Finn, whom they hailed as a "great white chief," with a couple of large whale's teeth as a memento of his kindness to them during their stay at the Barracks. The detachment leaves on Saturday for London.

The Sailing of the Damascus.—In accordance with the regular timetable of the Aberdeen line the steamer Damascus will be despatched from Dalgety's Wharf, Miller's Point, punctually at noon to-day. The principal lines of her cargo for South Africa and London will be 1200 bales wool, 8300 carcases mutton, 750 quarters beef, 423 carcases pork, 1250 boxes butter, 900 crates poultry, &c., 6398 bags copper ore, 4400 bars bullion, 1100 cases meats, 3228 cases canned goods, &c. The list of her saloon passengers from Sydney is given elsewhere, there being in addition upwards of 70 third-class; but on leaving Melbourne, where she calls as is usual, she will carry a full complement of saloon passengers, and rather more than 150 in the third-class. The Damascus is timed to leave Melbourne on Wednesday next.

The John Williams.—The London Missionary Society's steamer John Williams was despatched for a second time yesterday morning on a four months' cruise among the South Sea Islands. It will be remembered that she returned to port owing to an outbreak of measles on board.

The Ketch Rebecca.—The following notice was posted at the G.P.O. last evening:—"Camden Haven reports that the ketch Rebecca, reported aground at the crossing yesterday, was an error. She was unable to get over the crossing, but is now at anchor up the river."

The Shipwreck Relief Society.—The monthly committee meeting of the Royal Shipwreck Relief and Humane Society of New South Wales was held in the Royal Exchange yesterday afternoon, Mr. W. S. Buzacott being in the chair. There were also present Mr. Justice Stephen, Messrs. J. Russell French, C. H. Hayes, A. F. Robinson, Captain F. Hixson, Captain J. M. Banks, and the secretary, Captain A. W. Webber. There was only one application for relief, for which temporary assistance was granted pending further consideration. Several cases of life-saving were considered, but only one was finally dealt with, that of Mr. S. Coggins, who was awarded the bronze medal and certificate of merit of the society for his brave action in saving the life of Mr. H. Glenister at Neutral Bay on March 8 last.

The Attorney-General will be waited upon on Tuesday next by a deputation of property-owners in the Gipps Ward, with regard to the settlement of claims by the Government.

It is elsewhere announced that a meeting of the committee of the Parliamentary Reform Association will be held this afternoon at the School of Arts.

We have been requested by the Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company to state that the Saturday afternoon excursions have been discontinued for the present owing to the winter weather setting in.

The Railway Commissioners notify that commencing from Monday next, slight alterations will be made in the Kogarah-Sans Souci time table, trams connecting with the 5.57 and 6.32 p.m. through trains from Sydney. The connection with the 6.10 p.m. train will on and after the above date be discontinued.

A meeting was held last evening at the Chamber of Manufactures, Pitt-street, with the view of taking steps to recognise the public services rendered by Mr. W. Martin, J.P., president of the Australian Natives' Association. Mr. J. J. Taylor occupied the chair. It was decided to carry out the object in view, and a committee was elected for that purpose. Messrs. R. M. Pontey and H. Evans were appointed hon. secretaries, and Mr. F. W. Grant hon. treasurer. It was decided to call a public meeting to further the object in hand.

Shortly before 11 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred in the basement of the Golden Fleece Hotel, Castlereagh and Campbell streets. A detachment from the Metropolitan Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene, and the flames were extinguished before much damage had been done.

Yesterday a demonstration of the utility of Crown's patent automatic fire alarm was given at the headquarters of the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Station, Castlereagh-street, in the presence of Mr. Charles Bown (president), Mr. Alderman Thompson, Messrs. Royle, Kerr, Love, Superintendent Webb, and others.

It has been announced that a public meeting of the Manchester Unity 226 will be held this evening at the Dispensary Hall, Parramatta-road. Addresses on the financial position of the order will be delivered.

Mr. Critchett Walker, C.M.G., Principal Under-Secretary, has notified Mr. S. F. Scott, J.P., president of St. Vincent de Paul Society, Glebe, that the Premier had approved of his application for blankets for the deserving poor of that district relieved by the society.

A daring robbery was committed at the jewellery establishment of Mr. Charles Wehrle, No. 280 King-street, Newtown, on Wednesday evening. Between the hours of 7.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. the premises were left unoccupied, and on the return of Mr. Wehrle he found that a number of gold rings, brooches, and bracelets, and a gold watch valued at about £100, had been taken from the shop. The thief appears to have gained an entrance by climbing on to the roof of the verandah and forcing one of the windows.

The weekly meeting of Stott and Hoare's Literary and Debating Society was held in Martin-chambers, Moore-street, on May 7. The president (Mr. F. John Sommerhoff) occupied the chair. Mr. Fellows moved,—"That State elementary education should be absolutely free." Those for the motion were Messrs. Murray and Donoghue; against, Messrs. Best, Walker, Tildesley, and Harris. The motion was carried.

The committee of the Nurses' Home, 140 Phillip-street, announce that trained nurses will now attend patients for single visits.

A working man, whose name has been furnished to us, has written to the Minister for Works to the effect that in the "Herald" recently he saw a letter signed "Lux," in which the writer stated he could give employment to a number of men if he could obtain them, also that he knew of a station that wanted 100 men. Mr. O'Sullivan's correspondent adds:—"I am a bushman, and wrote to the 'Herald' stating so, and if 'Lux' would give me name and address of station wanting men I would gladly go if he would guarantee me work when I got there."

A correspondent writes to the effect that some steamers are in the habit of shooting their ashes into the harbour at night time. He thinks that such conduct should be checked.

The R.A.A. Band will perform in Hyde Park this afternoon, commencing at 3 p.m., under the direction of Bandmaster M'Carthy.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

CAMDEN, Thursday.

The Railway Commissioners visited Camden this evening, and were officially received by the Mayor, aldermen, and other public gentlemen. A deputation requested that the approaches to Camden station be improved, also an alteration of trucking yards. The Commissioners said they recognised the desirability of the local requirements, more especially to give the dairying industry facilities.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.

The Railway Commissioners, accompanied by Messrs. J. Harper, H. Richardson, and other officials, halted at Liverpool this afternoon while on a tour of inspection of the Southern line to the Campbelltown and Camden line. They were met at the station by a deputation of the Liverpool District Progress Association, comprising Messrs. Barker (secretary), P. Smith, Watt, and Thomas, who urged the promised extension of a footbridge to Scott-street to meet the convenience of the travelling public. The Commissioners promised to have the work carried out when funds are available. Mr. Barker also drew attention to the destruction of fruit cases in transit from Darling Harbour to Liverpool, and the Commissioners promised to inquire into the matter.

TO-DAY.

Brighton Races: First event, 2.40 p.m.
Highland Society: Concert, Manchester Unity Hall, 8 p.m.
Presbyterian General Assembly: 10 a.m.
Lecture: E. B. Worthington, Unitarian Church, 8 p.m.
V. J. Daley Testimonial: Committee Meeting, Town Hall, 4 p.m.
Women's Prayer Union, Paddington Branch: St. Matthias' Hall, 3, 6.45, and 7.45 p.m.
Manly: Port Jackson Steamship Company's Excursions.
Theatre Royal: "A Runaway Girl," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: The World's Entertainers, 7.45 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "In Sight of St. Paul's," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville Company, 8 p.m.
Empire Theatre: "The Alhambra Girl," 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "The Gates of Bondage," 8 p.m.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES.

IN THE SENATE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

PARLIAMENT HOUSE,
MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Senator Neild resumed the debate on the Customs Bill in the Senate this afternoon. He spoke for a little over an hour, and, discarding arguments on the ethical aspects of the fiscal question, preferred to deal with things as they are in Australia. The case for the revenue tariff was put in these words:—"I consider it is our duty to take from the pockets of the people no more than is absolutely necessary for the purposes of good government; to take more would be doing wrong." Freetraders in New South Wales, he said, had accepted federation and let freetrade take its chance. Senator Neild sought to enlarge on one aspect of the financial situation by proving that the Government should not be trusted with so much money as it asked for. To prove this proposition he wished to adduce a proof of maladministration in the Defence Department. As he commenced to deal with specific cases, the President, without actually ruling him out of order, mildly asked if the subject could properly be connected with a discussion on the second reading of the Customs Bill. Senator Neild thought it could, but in deference to the President's hint said he would pursue the matter further on another occasion. Some interesting references to speeches by Senator O'Connor and Mr. Barton followed. The former during his election campaign exhorted electors to avoid this "wretched fiscalism." The extract from the speech by Mr. Barton a few years ago showed that hon. gentleman in an attitude of spirited denunciation of the proposal to "build a Chinese wall of protection round Australia." Senator Neild made effective use of both quotations.

Senator Barrett followed from a protectionist standpoint. Notwithstanding all the quotations that have been made during the debate, there still remains some statistical material to place before the Senate. Senator Barrett went to that very respectable authority, Mulhall, and claimed that the figures adduced showed there was industrial retrogression in England and progression in France and America. He also found that in the protectionist countries the wealth of people had increased at a greater rate than it had in the freetrade countries, and that the wealth was better diffused.

Sir Frederick Sargood's contribution to the debate was listened to with attention not only on account of his well-known moderation, but by reason of his practical acquaintance with tariff matters and their effects upon business. As a large manufacturer he said that protection would benefit him, and as high duties favoured the big importer as against the small man it would be to the advantage of his firm if the duties were not reduced. Being then unprejudiced in the matter, and leaning to moderation, he accepted the policy laid down at Maitland as a practical solution of the difficult problem, and as satisfactory to the majority of the electors. He himself during his election campaign had said that the tariff must be a compromise one—that it must be higher than had obtained in New South Wales, and lower than that of Victoria. With regard to industries that had grown up under protection, he would "not be a party to suddenly and unduly taking away that protection. Although in a general way he preferred to deal with the details in committee, he indicated a number of real anomalies in the tariff—that is to say, anomalies which were as objectionable to the freetrader as to the protectionist. Some practical information was furnished to the Senate as to the natural protection given to various articles in the shape of cost of importing. The natural protection, Sir Frederick Sargood showed, not uncommonly went to 30 and 40 per cent., and in exceptional cases very much higher.

"I'm heartily sick of the statistics and figures and quotations that have been brought before us," was Senator Playford's introductory sentence. Senator Pulsford, he said, had given it as the main objection to protection that the system enabled the manufacturer to put the amount of duty in his pocket to the detriment of the consumer. He intended to disprove that, and, having done so, to claim Senator Pulsford as a convert. For the purpose of illustration he took the business carried on by Sir J. H. Symon, who manufactured colonial wine, and enjoyed 200 per cent. protection. Did Sir Josiah Symon add the duty to the cost of the article? Senator Playford made bold to say that he did not, and hence Senator Pulsford's contention manifestly fell to the ground. A further and less personal illustration was found in the manufacture of ploughshares in South Australia, where, according to Senator Playford, the price to the farmer was reduced under protective conditions. For a few moments Senator Playford flattered Senator Styles by giving a little attention to the latter's theory that high duties meant larger trading with the mother country. "His facts are all right, but his conclusions are all wrong," said Senator Playford, amid laughter. He thought that the tariff was not improved by the House of Representatives, and especially objected to the abolition of the duties on tea and sugar.

Senator Gould secured the adjournment of the debate, and the Senate adjourned at five minutes past 10 o'clock.

THE MILITARY ESTIMATES.

At a meeting of the Federal Cabinet to-day the principal business discussed was as to the best method to effect retrenchment in the defence estimates, in accordance with the vote of the House of Representatives. Ministers exhaustively discussed the chief question; but, as Sir William Lyne had only just taken over the Department and had only had one interview with the General Officer Commanding, he did not feel able to go into all the details of the proposed reductions. Consequently after a general discussion consideration of the matter was postponed until the next Cabinet meeting, in order that Sir William Lyne may be able to place before his colleagues the outline of all that is involved in the proposals which he finds himself able to recommend and those which he cannot recommend.

It has been generally understood that there will be a large saving on the defence expenditure for the current year. The Treasurer explains that although only five-sevenths of the estimate provided for has been expended, and the balance left over will not necessarily be saving when capitation grants for militia efficiency, allowances, &c., have been paid, the balance may be £80,000 or £100,000. This will be made up of money set apart for the purchase of rifles and small arms generally and ammunition, which should be purchased in this year, and which if carried forward will have to be placed on next year's Estimates. It is understood that Sir William Lyne will not accept, without due investigation, the scheme for retrenchment tentatively adopted by Sir John Forrest. One of the main features of the proposal placed before Sir John Forrest was the ruthless cutting down of the allowances in all the States, notably in New South Wales and Queensland. He also outlined a scheme for reducing the naval forces of Queensland and Victoria, but the threatened interference with the Victorian "navy" provoked a great deal of indignation. Sir William Lyne has already indicated that retrenchment in this direction will not be so drastic as Sir John Forrest foreshadowed. As a way of reducing the expenditure Major-General Hutton has directed that all recruiting in the permanent and partially-paid forces shall cease, and that the places of men selected from the Permanent Artillery for service in South Africa shall not be filled pending further instructions. A similar order was issued some time ago, but lately the recruiting recommenced. Now it has been stopped, and there seems to be an idea in the General's mind in favour of the extension of the volunteer system, to the diminution of the partially-paid and permanent forces.

VICTORIAN TRANSFERRED OFFICERS.

Mention was lately made in this column of the case of Victorian transferred officers, who, on the strength of Victorian legislation passed just before federation, claimed that they were entitled to receive the same salary as was paid in any of the other States for similar work, up to £156 per annum. An opinion obtained from a local barrister bore out the contention, and Mr. Barton, when threatened with legal proceedings, referred the matter to the Attorney-General. Mr. Deakin has now, in his capacity of Attorney-General, given the opinion to himself in his capacity as Acting Prime Minister. While unprepared to go into particulars, he indicated to-day that he disagreed with the local opinion on several points. Before he would say what he thought he would confer with Mr. M'Lachlan, who is expected to arrive in Melbourne on Monday. The question, he said, was full of difficulties, but as soon as possible justice would be done to the officers.

PUBLIC WORKS EXPENDITURE.

The Treasurer has laid it down as an inflexible rule that any new buildings not of brick or stone required for the service of the Commonwealth shall be paid for out of the revenue, and not out of loans. Sir George Turner hopes if there is an expanding revenue to apply the rule to brick and stone buildings also, and thus inaugurate a much-needed reform.

ITALIANS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

In response to a request of Western Australian members, the Ministry is arranging with the Premier of Western Australia to lend an officer, who will be asked to investigate the large influx of Italian immigrants to that State, in order to ascertain whether the assertion that they are brought to Australia under contract in defiance of the Immigration Restriction Act can be sustained.

LATE EDITION.

AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN.

MATCH AGAINST NOTTS.

THE COUNTY AT THE WICKETS.

THREE WICKETS FOR 176 RUNS.

LONDON, May 8, 11.10 a.m.

The match between the Australian Eleven and Nottinghamshire was commenced to-day at Nottingham.

Trumble, Carter, and Saunders were omitted from the Australian team.

Notts won the toss and elected to bat.

The wicket is slow.

There is a meagre attendance and the weather is threatening.

1.50 p.m.

Iremonger and Jones opened the Notts innings. The latter showed excellent form on the leg side, and ran up 23 while Iremonger contributed 4. Iremonger hitting out at Noble was bowled without further increasing his score. 1-4-27.

W. Gunn succeeded, but in his second ball he was given out leg-before-wicket to Noble. 2-0-27.

2.10 p.m.

Shrewsbury followed Gunn. Jones continued to score at a fast rate, but after running up 45 he was nicely caught by Hill at long-on from a lofty drive off Howell. His score included seven fours. He made 16 off two overs of Howell. 3-45-51. Shrewsbury's quota was one.

The weather is brighter.

2.40 p.m.

Goodacre succeeded, but after scoring five was injured in trying to leg hit Armstrong, and had to retire.

Shrewsbury has scored three runs.

Three wickets have fallen for 61 runs.

2.55 p.m.

J. Gunn joined Shrewsbury, and the partnership had added 35 by lunch time, the score then being three wickets for 96 runs—Shrewsbury 21, J. Gunn 17.

The fielding was smarter than it had been at the opening of play.

Hopkins is bowling erratically.

4 p.m.

On the resumption of play both Shrewsbury and J. Gunn scored freely, and the state of the game is now three wickets for 117 runs—Shrewsbury 36, J. Gunn 23.

4.10 p.m.

Scoring is proceeding rapidly and the bowlers are freely punished. Shrewsbury has added 14 to his total and J. Gunn 10. The score is 141 with three wickets down.

4.55 p.m.

Shrewsbury is hitting less vigorously, while J. Gunn has increased his rate of scoring. The former is now 60 and the latter 58. J. Gunn's runs mostly come by pulling and by hits to square-leg. The score is now 176.

Trumper and Armstrong are bowling.

Trumble's absence is badly felt. Jones is not in form.

The scores are as follow:—

NOTTS.—First Innings.

IREMONGER, b Noble	4
JONES, c Hill, b Howell	45
W. GUNN, lbw, b Noble	0
GOODACRE, retired hurt	5
SHREWSBURY, not out	60
J. GUNN, not out	58
Sundries	4
Three wickets for	176

SILVER.

LONDON, May 8.

Bar silver is quoted to-day at 1s 11⅛d per ounce standard.

VISIT OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO ADELAIDE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Countess of Hopetoun were present at the Adelaide Cup meeting yesterday. They drove from Government House to Morphettville. The party also included Lord and Lady Tennyson, Sir Arthur Lawley (the Governor of Western Australia), the Mayor, the Hon. C. Willoughby, Captain Wallington, Lord Richard Nevill, Mr. Gerald Parker, and Mr. E. S. Jose. Yesterday evening the second dinner of the party was given at Government House. Among the guests, in addition to the Vice-regal house party, were the Federal Premier and Mrs. Barton and Sir John and Lady Forrest.

It was the intention of the Mayor of Adelaide (Mr. Lewis Cohen) to hold a ball in commemoration of the Coronation, but advantage was taken of the presence in the city of the Governor-General and the Countess of Hopetoun to hold the function to-night. The Exhibition-buildings, which lend themselves admirably to extensive decorations, were beautified and illuminated in a most elaborate fashion, a prominent feature being the use of over 4000 varicoloured electric globes. Besides the Governor-General and the Countess of Hopetoun, Lord and Lady Tennyson were present. The assemblage was a brilliant one, and the ball is regarded as one of the most successful ever held in Australia. About 3500 invitations were issued, and it is estimated that 3000 people were present.

In the morning Lord Hopetoun visited the General Assembly of the South Australian Presbyterian Church. He was received at the dais by the Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Paton, who presented him with an address of welcome and loyalty.

Lord Hopetoun, in reply, said the expressions of goodwill which the address contained were very precious to him. The Presbyterian Church was that of his ancestors, himself, and his children, and he wished its prosperity and progress all over the world with the greatest interest.

Lord Hopetoun, Captain Wallington, and Major Willoughby lunched at the Adelaide Club at the invitation of the committee.

GREATER SYDNEY.

PETERSHAM MUNICIPALITY.

The annual report of the municipality of Petersham, submitted to the Petersham Council by the council clerk (Mr. D. Clifford) recently, and adopted at the last meeting of the council, showed the total receipts to have been £10,076 0s 6d, indicating substantial increases in most of the sources of revenue. The total expenditure was £9240 19s 9d, divided under the following heads:—Works and improvements, £4040 5s 10d; street lighting, £1435 9s 10d; street watering, £54 14s 10d; removing nightsoil, £192 11s 5d; public park improvements, £148 2s 6d; removal and incineration of house refuse, £807 13s 4d; scavenging, £323 9s 9d; salaries and allowances, £686 2s 6d; interest on debentures, &c., £661 17s 4d; Fire Brigades' Board, £233 4s 7d; Town Hall expenses, including caretaker's salary, £217 0s 6d; working plant, £30 13s; refunds of deposits, &c., £153 10s 11d; printing, advertising, stationery, £74 19s 10d; valuating, auditing, postage, &c., £181 3s 7d. The expenditure during the two immediately preceding years was £8577 9s 10d and £10,515 18s 4d. During the past year 272 tons of blue metal, 1091 tons of white metal, and 3319 tons of ballast were used on the streets of the borough. 4741 lineal yards of kerbing and guttering were constructed; and 5222 square yards of tarred metal and 711 square yards of tarred ashes were laid on the footpaths, in addition to which the work of top-dressing the asphalt footpaths, begun in the latter part of previous year, was completed. The estimated value of assets over liabilities was reported to be £73,728 9s.

RECORD CANNED MEAT SHIPMENT.

Upwards of 17,778 cases of preserved mutton in 1lb. and 2lb. tins has been shipped by the Sydney Meat Preserving Company, Limited, on the steamer Gulf of Taranto, for South Africa, to the order of the British Government. This is a record shipment of preserved meats from Sydney, and completes the contract order for 1,000,000lb. entered into by the Sydney Meat Preserving Company seven weeks ago. The War Office, it will be remembered, called for tenders for 2,000,000lb. in 1lb. and 2lb. tins; the company tendered for 1,000,000lb. delivery f.o.b. Sydney, but at the same time the company's agent in London offered 623,544lb. ex store there for shipment to South Africa. This was accepted, and the whole order completed within a week of contract time. The number of tins required for the 1,623,544lb. of mutton was 1,096,284. All the preserving, canning, lacquering, labelling, and packing was carried out at the company's works at Auburn, three miles from the Homebush fat stock saleyards.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

SPEECH BY LORD SALISBURY.

THE FEDERATION OF THE EMPIRE.

DANGERS OF FORCING IT.

PATIENCE AND CARE REQUISITE.

TREMENDOUS IMPERIAL DESTINY.

LONDON, May 8.

The Marquis of Salisbury, the Prime Minister, speaking at the meeting of the Primrose League yesterday, said that in regard to the peace negotiations with the Boers the Government had not receded from its former position. The Government would not allow any position to arise whereby the Boers would be able to renew the issue.

The manner, he said, in which the colonies had warmed in devotion to the motherland was a phenomenon. The feeling came in so vast a volume that it added enormously to the strength and the influence of the Empire.

Lord Salisbury added: "As regards the federation of the Empire we cannot safely interfere by legislation with the natural development of our relations with the colonies.

"Considering the difficulties as regards the burdens of finance, the duties of defence, and the rights of decision which the motherland could retain, I look with apprehension on any attempt to force the various parts of the Empire into a mutual arrangement for subordination for which they are not ready, as being calculated to produce a reaction in favour of the old state of things.

"If we are patient and careful a tremendous destiny is before us."

LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

LONDON, May 7.

The London County Council is trying to purchase St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Smithfield, and Christ's Hospital, Newgate-street, for headquarters. The area of the sites is 10 acres.

MR. RHODES'S BEQUESTS.

LONDON, May 7.

It is expected that from £4,000,000 to £5,000,000 will be available to carry out the bequests of Mr. Cecil Rhodes. It is not likely that the executors will prove the will before a year. Dr. Jameson, the leading executor, was aware of, and fully shares, Mr. Rhodes's ideals.

AMERICAN RAILROADS.

CONTROL OF RATES TO EUROPE.

LONDON, May 8.

The "New York Post" says that American railroads, largely owing to the operations of the navigation syndicate, hope to control the rates from the principal points in the interior to the leading European centres.

SUCCESSFUL FISH EXPERIMENTS.

LONDON, May 7.

The United States Fishery Commissioners announce that the artificial introduction of shad (a species of herring) and striped bass and other food fishes in the waters of the Pacific Coast has been attended with amazing success.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, May 7.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag has agreed to the construction of the first section of the railway from Dar-es-Salaam, a port of German East Africa, to Mrogoro.

BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, May 8.

The Board of Trade returns for April have been published. They show that the value of the imports has decreased by £65,689, and the value of the exports has increased by £1,505,496, as compared with the imports and exports for the corresponding month of the previous year.

QUEEN WILHELMINA.

A REASSURING REPORT.

LONDON, May 8.

Queen Wilhelmina, who was yesterday reported to be in a very critical condition, is now stated to be improving.

THE WOOL SALES.

LONDON, May 7.

At the wool sales to-day biddings were brisk. The opening day's prices were fully maintained.

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At the wool sales yesterday the following prices were realised for the undermentioned clips:—Brancepeth Rowlands, 5½d; Narrung, 6½d; Nellybti, 8¾d; Uabba, 10½d; Masoupe, 11¾d; Correng, 16½d; Cassilis, 18¾d.

CHESTER CUP.

WON BY CARABINE.

LONDON, May 7.

The contest for the principal event on the card for the second day's racing in connection with the Chester May Meeting resulted as under:—

The Chester Cup (handicap) of 2550 sovs. (a cup value of 50 sovs. and the remainder in specie), by subscription of 25 sovs. each, 15 sovs. ft., or 5 only if declared; second to receive 300 sovs., and third 200 sovs. out of the race; winners after January 30, at noon, of the Two Thousand Guineas or One Thousand Guineas Stakes at Newmarket or a handicap value 500 sovs. 14lb., of a handicap value 300 sovs. 7lb extra. Old Cup Course (nearly two miles and a quarter).

A Champion Prize Cheshire Cheese, of the value of 5 sovs., will be given to the owners of the first, second, and third horses respectively.

Mr. J. Collins's b h Carabine, by Carbine—Saintfield, 4 years, 7st 5lb	1
Duke of Portland's b m St. Aldegonde, by St. Simon—Wakeful, 4 years, 7st	2
Mr. J. Gubbins's ch h Sweet Sounds, by Isinglass—Sweet Lavender, 5 years, 6st 13lb	3

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, May 8.

The Scottish Australian Investment Company, Limited, has applied the balance of the profit on the year, amounting to £4870, to reducing the loss in the general revenue account.

ALWAYS EVEN
and excellent in manufacture, always made with the children in view—ARNOTT'S Milk Arrowroots are the CHILDREN'S BISCUITS.—Advt.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

MEETING OF DELEGATIONS.

ALLIANCES FOR PEACE EULOGISED.

AFFAIRS IN THE BALKANS.

A WARNING TO TURKEY, BULGARIA, AND SERVIA.

LONDON, May 8.

The delegations of the Austrian Empire and of the Kingdom of Hungary met at Buda-Pesth yesterday.

The Emperor Francis Joseph, in addressing the delegations, said that the continued friendly agreement with Russia in the Near East was particularly calculated to fortify peace and good order in the Balkans.

Count Goluchowski, the Austrian Minister for Foreign Affairs, in addressing the Austrian delegation, said that the renewal of the Triple Alliance (Germany, Austria, and Italy) was impending. He described the Dual Alliance (France and Russia) as a highly valuable complement to the Triple Alliance.

Count Goluchowski eulogised the Anglo-Japanese agreement and the subsequent Franco-Russian agreement as equally pacific. He also eulogised the separate pacific understandings like the one between Italy and France.

He said that if, despite the warnings given by Russia and Austria to Turkey, Bulgaria, and Servia, a policy other than the maintenance of the status quo in the Balkans was necessary, the combined strength of Austria and Russia could cope with the danger, and an agreement between those two Powers would enable a settlement to be made which would be satisfactory to both.

THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

ADVERSE MOTION TO THE GRAIN DUTIES.

LONDON, May 7.

In the House of Commons Sir W. Vernon Harcourt will move an amendment to the second reading of the Finance Bill that the House declines to impose duties on grain and flour and other foodstuffs of first necessity.

PROPOSED CENSURE ON THE SPEAKER.

MOTION REJECTED.

LONDON, May 8.

In the House of Commons last night Mr. J. J. Mooney (Nationalist) moved a resolution of censure on the Speaker (the Right Hon. William Court Gully, K.C.), for not calling Mr. Chamberlain to order on March 20 in saying "You're a good judge of traitors." The motion was negatived by 398 votes to 63.

[On March 20, during a debate on the war, Mr. J. Dillon (Nationalist) spoke of "Boer traitors." Mr. Chamberlain interjected "You're a good judge of traitors." To this Mr. Dillon retorted, "You're a liar." A scene ensued, and Mr. Dillon was suspended.]

CHINA.

INCREASE OF THE INDEMNITY.

LONDON, May 7.

The depreciation in the value of silver has increased the indemnity to be paid by China to the Powers by 90,000,000 taels. The heavy demands made upon the taxpayers is causing widespread agitation in Southern China.

THE CHI-LI REBELLION.

SUPPRESSION BY BRIBERY.

LONDON, May 8.

The Tientsin correspondent of the "Standard" reports that 40,000 well-armed insurgents are renewing the attacks on churches and missionaries in Chi-li.

The troops have failed to suppress the rising, and officials seek to pacify the rebels with gifts of money.

CUBA.

LONDON, May 7.

General Palma, the President-Elect of Cuba, opposes the commercial treaty with the United States until the duty on Cuban sugar is reduced from above 25 per cent.

The United States House of Representatives recently amended the Cuban Relief Bill introduced by the Government by abolishing the differential duty on refined sugar.

TRIPOLI.

LONDON, May 7.

Turkey is sending large shipments of Mauser rifles to Tripoli.

It was recently cabled that Italy was preparing to occupy Tripoli.

THE GERMAN SQUADRON.

LONDON, May 7.

The German squadron was welcomed by the Channel fleet at Berehaven, Bantry Bay south coast of Ireland.

It is reported that a German squadron, commanded by Prince Henry of Prussia, consisting of some of the finest vessels in the navy, will manœuvre off the Irish Coast this month.

ERUPTION AT MARTINIQUE.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

LONDON, May 7.

The eruption at Mount Pelee, Martinique, West Indies, continues. The persons killed by the eruption number 150.

EXPORT OF AUSTRALIAN FRUIT.

LONDON, May 8.

The apples shipped by the R.M.S. Oceana and Orestes arrived in good condition. The market has improved.

Tasmanians realised 8s to 11s, Australians 8s 6d to 11s 6d. Some New York Jonathans reached 13s 6d.

The experimental shipment of pears and grapes made by the Victorian Government came to hand in excellent condition. The peaches were in fair condition, but were of inferior quality.

Pears ranged from 2s 6d to 8s 6d a dozen, and peaches brought 2s 9d.

A crate of grapes brought 5s.

The experimental shipments of fruit were sent by the Victorian Department of Agriculture, Dr. A. A. Brown's formic aldehyde process being used.

The Magic Word "ARNOTT"
is sufficient. Always ask for ARNOTT'S Milk Arrowroots. The children know the difference, and will care for no other brand.—Advt.

INTERNATIONAL CRICKET.

THE AUSTRALIANS' TOUR.

LONDON COUNTY MATCH ABANDONED.

LONDON, May 7.

The match between the Australian Eleven and the London County team was abandoned early yesterday afternoon, owing to drenching rain accompanied by hail.

The bowling analysis of the uncompleted innings of the Australians was Lewellyn three wickets for 80, Vine two for 40, Grace one for 28, Braund one for 61.

No addition had been made by the Australians to their score as appearing in yesterday's first edition when the match was abandoned.

MATCH AGAINST NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

LONDON, May 8, 9.40 a.m.

The Australian Eleven will commence a match to-day against Nottinghamshire at Nottingham. The following will represent the county:—

A. O. JONES
J. A. DIXON
W. B. GOODACRE
A. SHREWSBURY
J. GUNN
W. GUNN
T. OATES
J. IREMONGER
A. HALLAM
T. WASS
G. ANTHONY

ATTACKS IN THE "SPORTSMAN."

LONDON, May 8.

Owing to a protest which has been made, the "Sportsman" has ceased publishing attacks by its Melbourne correspondent on the Australian Cricket Team and on the Melbourne Cricket Club.

NOTES ON THE MATCH.

A conclusion such as that which attended the opening engagement of the present campaign is always unsatisfactory. The weather and the wicket were against good cricket; indeed, there were no more than three occasions on which the display of batting was at all meritorious—viz., when Gregory and Darling were together in the first innings, Darling and Trumper in the second innings, and Braund and Jessop. But, though the cricket during these partnerships is reported to have been particularly fine, the runs were evidently obtained more in desperation than by the kind of game one would expect to see on a really plumb wicket. It did not matter how the runs were got so long as they were registered quickly, and this condition was recognised by the batsmen. Braund obtained his 104 in 125 minutes, Darling his 92 in 100 minutes, and Trumper and Jessop did not allow the grass to grow under their feet.

As to what the result would have been that, is impossible to say. Everything depended upon the wicket. It certainly could not have been good for the Englishmen's second venture, and if it had been bad they would probably have had a difficulty to get the runs.

The match was evidently a failure, also, as regards the takings. There was no play beyond two days worth talking about, and on Monday and Tuesday the rain—and when it was not raining it was threatening—kept the public from attending.

Latest files to hand state that the Australians declined the invitation of the Grange C. C. at Edinburgh to visit that city on one of their vacant dates. It was stated that the colonials were desirous of a holiday in Coronation week, and they declined to play a two days' match in Edinburgh in the beginning of the following week because of the long journey to Sheffield entailed before beginning the test match there. In lieu of the Australians' visit an attempt was to be made to get Sir T. C. O'Brien to take his Irish team to Edinburgh and play Scotland.

The people of South Wales have, however, been more fortunate than those of Edinburgh, for they have secured, at least so it is understood by the South Wales correspondent to the London "Sportsman," a match for the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of August, bank holiday week. The home team will not be a Glamorgan one, but a combination of Wiltshire and Glamorgan will be put into the field. It is anticipated that a fairly strong side could be got together to meet the visitors at Cardiff, amongst those mentioned as likely to be included being Miller, Radcliffe, and Oreton, of Wiltshire, and J. H. and W. H. Brain, V. T. Hill, W. Morgan (M.C.C.), and others. A crowd of 20,000 is expected to be present at the match on Monday.

With regard to the Notts team for the second match of the tour, Jones, Shrewsbury, W. and J. Gunn are well known, all four having visited Australia, though it is some time since W. Gunn and Arthur Shrewsbury were here. In the single engagement with Notts in 1899, which was drawn, eight of the present eleven figured, viz., Jones, Shrewsbury, W. and J. Gunn, Dixon, Oates, Wass, and Goodacre. Mason, Attewell, and Hardstaff have retired in favour of Iremonger, Hallam, and Anthony. Attewell has been so much before the public that his absence from the bowling-crease will be missed. He appears to have completely lost his form. Iremonger towards the close of last season suddenly developed into the best professional batsman that Notts has had since W. Gunn was at the outset of his career; in fact, his sudden jump into the front rank of English batsmen was one of the sensations of last year. Anthony once or twice showed cricket worthy of Jessop, and it was expected that he might develop into a good bowler. Wass last year was a disappointment to a certain extent. He did not fulfil the promise of 1900. Hallam, who holds the qualification to play for Lancashire and Notts, last year returned to the latter county, and was fairly successful. The averages were published in yesterday's issue.

DEFENCE RETRENCHMENT.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES NAVAL FORCES AFFECTED.

COST TO BE REDUCED ONE-HALF.

Following on the promise of the Federal Minister of Defence to Parliament to reduce the defence estimates from £950,000 to £820,000, instructions have been received in Sydney intimating that the annual vote of £10,000 for the New South Wales naval forces will probably be reduced to £5000 for the next financial year. This drastic attempt at retrenchment will, it is believed, meet with strong opposition here, and an effort will probably be made to have the matter reconsidered. The position from the naval forces' standpoint is serious enough, but it will not be so keenly felt as in Melbourne, where the nucleus of a navy exists, and where it is proposed to cut down the vote from £27,000 to £15,000. In Melbourne the permanent force alone numbers 158 officers and men.

The Minister has been asked whether he desired the retrenchment in Sydney effected by the abolition of the force or portion thereof, or by reductions in pay all round.

The N.S.W. Naval Forces consist of the Naval Brigade, numbering 361 officers and men, and the Naval Artillery Volunteers, numbering 297 officers and men (including the St. George's Company of 55 men). The pay for an able seaman in the former corps is £10 per annum, and in the latter £6 per annum. Pay for the Naval Brigade absorbs approximately £4846 per annum, and contingencies, uniforms, &c., £550 per annum. In the N.A.V. the annual pay is estimated at about £2286, and instruction allowance, clothing, &c., absorbs a further £280. The torpedo defence detachment numbers five permanent officers and men, and costs £975 in salaries and £670 for contingencies, whilst for warlike stores the annual vote is put down at £700. Altogether the estimates for the current year total £10,337, as against £9146 in the previous year, for a total force of 663 officers and men.

A proposal has been mooted, it is understood, in which it is suggested that the N.A.V. and the torpedo detachment should be abolished, leaving the Naval Brigade, which includes a number of trained and Royal Navy men, to attend to torpedo defence. There are many objections to such a scheme, and these, no doubt, will be fully explained should anything further be heard of the proposition.

There are about 40 Schwartzkopff torpedoes in the stores in Sydney, and when it is stated that each, exclusive of gear, tools, and accessories, cost about £500, it will be evident that it is necessary to maintain a small permanent staff to attend to this department. For years past the armament and equipment of the naval forces have been obsolete, and this, as well as the fact that no provision is made for adequate continuous training, has considerably interfered with the efficiency and value of this important branch of the service. The two torpedo boats, the Acron and Avenmus, are nearly 30 years old, and capable, it is said, of only 8 knots, or perhaps 10 knots at full speed. Dropping gear for torpedoes can in case of emergency, however, be fitted on to half a dozen launches. The two corps still drill with the two 9-pounders and one 7-pounder, all muzzle-loading, about 35 years old, and which came off the old Wolverine. There is a prospect of the two 12-pounder Q.F. guns, which the China Naval Contingent got the loan of from the Imperial Government, eventually being presented to the naval forces here. The other armament comprises 4 1in. Nordenfeldt Q.F. guns and four of the old five-barrel Nordenfeldt machine guns. The men are still armed with the Martini-Henry rifles, although 360 of the magazine weapon are in stock.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

A SWEEPING MOVEMENT IN THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

OVER 200 BOERS CAPTURED.

NO BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, May 8.

Lord Kitchener reports:—"Major-General Elliott on Tuesday held the line from Lindley to the Liebenbergsvlei, while Major-General Barker held the line of the drifts of the river to Frankfort. A continuous line of columns left the Frankfort-Heilbron-Vredefort-road line at dawn without vehicles. These columns marched rapidly, and reached the line held by Major-General Elliott in the afternoon of the same day.

"In this sweeping movement 10 Boers were killed and 208 captured.

"The prisoners constitute a portion of the most irreconcileable element among the Free Staters.

"Many horses and cattle were captured.

"Our casualties were nil."

NORTH-WESTERN CAPE COLONY.

THE RELIEF OF OOKIEP.

LONDON, May 8.

Colonel Cooper, Lord Kitchener reports, has relieved Ookiep, in Namaqualand.

The enemy have retired south.

The miners at Concordia surrendered on condition that their mines were not damaged. The enemy have left this town.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, May 7.

Mr. Bennet Burleigh (correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph") states that the burghers in the refugee camps regard peace as certain.

The military are pessimistic and are preparing for an increasingly vigorous campaign.

THE COMMONWEALTH HORSE.

THE FIFTH (N.S.W.) BATTALION COMPLETED.

OFFICERS POSTED TO SQUADRONS.

The fifth (N.S.W.) battalion, Commonwealth Horse, is now complete in its establishment of 493 officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, and there are in addition 20 supernumeraries in camp at the Agricultural Ground, men who have passed the necessary tests, and who are being kept in the event of any vacancies occurring. It is useless, therefore, for any candidates to apply, either personally or by letter, to be taken on the strength. Yesterday fully 50 men had to be turned away from the office in the grounds. Captain Soane, the adjutant, states that another 300 or 400 men could be raised with little trouble.

The last of the tests were held yesterday. The men are making steady progress in drill. Lieutenant-Colonel Onslow does not think that there will be time to give the men any mounted drill; in any case, there will not be more than two or three parades mounted. The branding of the horses is almost complete. About 200 saddles have arrived, and a good proportion of the bandoliers and other items of equipment.

Brigadier-General Finn yesterday afternoon made his final inspection of the men and horses who are to embark on board of the freight steamer Menelaus to-morrow. A number of the horses were put to one side as not being in sufficiently good condition, and they will be taken on in the Columbian on the 20th instant. It is probable that Lieutenant Bathgate will go in charge of the Menelaus' detail.

The 16 officers whose appointments have been gazetted have been posted to squadrons as under:—

A Squadron.—Captain Ernest Alfred Blow, Lieutenants Leslie Edward Tilney, George Edward Gould, Percival S. Long Innes.

B Squadron.—Captain William Frank Everett, Lieutenants John Douglas Bathgate, Frederick Vincent Bosley, William James Neeld.

C Squadron.—Captain Vincent Wallace Ryrie, Lieutenants Allan, E. Gidley King, Godfrey G. Geary, Arthur Owen Ryder.

D Squadron.—Captain Walter T. Griffin, Lieutenants Oswald Bruce Ryrie, William Parker Martin, Neville James Ussher.

PRESENTATION TO CAPTAIN F. W. C. CRANE.

The directors and members of the New South Wales Sports Club, Limited, last evening entertained Captain F. W. C. Crane (their late chairman), who is leaving for South Africa on active service as quartermaster of the 5th Battalion, at dinner at the Trocadero Cafe, Castlereagh-street. Mr. L. D. Phillips presided, and after dinner proposed "The Health of Captain Crane," which was supported by Major R. E. Roth, D.S.O., and Lieutenant Frederick Walsh. The chairman then presented the guest with a handsome set of military brushes, suitably encased in leather wallet, as a token of esteem from the Sports Club. Captain Crane responded in appropriate style and thanked the members for their gift. The party subsequently attended the Tivoli Theatre.

DEPARTURE OF THE VICTORIANS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The departure of the sixth (Victorian) battalion of the Australian Commonwealth Horse has been postponed from the 12th instant to the 19th instant. The principal reason for the postponement is that the remount board, in spite of its utmost efforts, is still 209 horses short of the full complement of 500.

THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CONTINGENT.

REVIEWED BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Governor-General, accompanied by Lady Hopetoun and Major Willoughby, military secretary, to-day reviewed the 8th Battalion of the Australian Commonwealth Horse on the parade ground. He left a message for the soldiers to the effect that he was pleased with their bearing. He honoured every man for going out to South Africa and being willing to lay down his life "for king and country."

LITERATURE FOR INVALID SOLDIERS.

Mrs. J. F. Cole, who has taken an active interest in the welfare of the soldiers leaving Sydney to participate in the South African war, renews her appeal to the public for magazines, books, or general literature for the use of invalid soldiers in South African hospitals. Through the generous response on the part of the public she has already been enabled to forward seven large boxes to South Africa, and these have been carried without charge by the agents of the transports. Mrs. Cole is desirous of continuing the despatch of literature to relieve the monotony of hospital life on the veldt, and will gladly receive further contributions for the purpose. Her address is London Bank of Australia, 62 Oxford-street.

RETURNING SOLDIERS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Fifty-five South Australian soldiers returned from the war in the Columbian to-day, being dismissed at Largs Bay, where they had a cordial reception. The Columbian resumed her voyage to Melbourne at 1 o'clock with 170 other officers and men on board, including 31 for Victoria. On April 23 Trooper Johnson, of the South Africa Light Horse, a resident of Victoria, died of heart failure, following on enteric fever. The body was buried at sea with full military honours. On arrival at Fremantle Lieutenant Stirling forwarded a letter of condolence to the bereaved family.

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES.

The following is a copy of a telegraphic despatch received by the Lieutenant-Governor from the Chief Casualty Officer, Capetown:—"Dangerously ill of enteric fever on May 4, at Heilbron: 3rd New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 1628 J. Elwood and No. 1553 R. J. Morrison."

SUICIDE OF A BANK MANAGER.

COONAMBLE, Thursday.

At an inquest held this morning on the body of Mr. W. J. Baker, manager of the Commercial Bank, who was found dead in an outhouse at the rear of the bank with a bullet wound in his head, the jury returned a verdict that deceased committed suicide while in a depressed state of mind. Deceased attended to his banking duties yesterday as usual, finishing about half-past 3 o'clock in the afternoon. He then took a walk in the town. On returning he went down the back yard to an outhouse. His wife heard the shot at about 4 o'clock, but took no notice. One of the inmates, on entering the outhouse at about 5 o'clock, discovered the dead body with a revolver in one hand, one of the chambers having been discharged. Deceased had only been in Coonamble a couple of months. He came from Wilcannia, and succeeded Mr. Colley. Deceased was only married last week to a Melbourne lady, and reached Coonamble on Saturday with his bride. By his former marriage deceased leaves two sons. Nothing has yet been discovered showing the cause of the rash act. Deceased, who was 40 years of age, was in good financial circumstances.

THE S.S. BOVERIC.

DRIFTING IN THE INDIAN OCEAN.

IN A HELPLESS CONDITION.

HER PROPELLER LOST.

A SENSATIONAL TALE OF THE SEA.

1500 MILES IN A LIFEBOAT.

27 DAYS ON THE OPEN SEA.

PICKED UP NEAR FREMANTLE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The anxiety which was felt regarding the overdue steamer Boveric was relieved to an extent to-day by the receipt of a telegram from Fremantle announcing, as was generally surmised, that the vessel had met with no more serious misadventure than the loss of her propeller. This, under the circumstances, welcome news was brought by the chief officer of the Boveric, Mr. Hayman, who together with three of the crew of the Boveric had sailed 1500 miles in an open lifeboat to seek assistance for the disabled vessel. The heroic adventurers were picked up off the coast near Fremantle on Wednesday afternoon by the steamer Willyama, and brought on by that vessel to the Western Australian port. They had had a long and arduous experience, having been no less than 27 days in the lifeboat before they were discovered, and their cruise has probably established a record as regards distance and time in lifeboats.

At the time of her mishap the Boveric was approximately 500 miles north of the regular track of steamers coming from South Africa, and the chances of her being discovered by vessels coming from the Cape were remote. When going from Australia to South Africa steamers—especially those with live stock on board—proceed over a much higher latitude than that taken by vessels coming the reverse way. The object of this is to escape, as far as possible, the strong westerly winds which sweep the lower latitudes of the Southern Ocean. More favourable conditions are found over the higher latitudes, and it was for this reason that the Boveric, with her valuable freight of 960 horses on board, was ordered to steer a course between the parallels of 28° and 32°. Upon the receipt of the news of the accident the Howard Smith Company entered into negotiations for the despatch of one or two steamers from Western Australia to search for the disabled vessel. The company has not at present a steamer in the west which would be suitable for such a mission, and they are therefore arranging for assistance outside their own fleet. The negotiations which are in progress were not concluded up to to-night, but it is almost certain that aid will be sent to the helpless steamer to-morrow.

The voyage of the Boveric began inauspiciously for Mr. Hayman, the chief officer, and there seemed a prospect at one time that he would not be able to go away in her. Whilst the last batch of horses was being shipped at Port Melbourne the day before the departure of the vessel one of the animals made a savage attack with its teeth on Mr. Hayman, inflicting an ugly wound on one of his shoulders. The injured officer suffered acutely from the effects of the bite, but resolutely stuck to his post. Mr. Hayman is well known in connection with coastal shipping. Before joining the Howard Smith line he was in the service of the Adelaide S.S. Company, Limited. Although it is understood that the Boveric is amply provided with provisions for the crew, there is grave doubt as to how the horses will fare in event of the voyage being much further prolonged. When the Boveric left here she took sufficient fodder to last the animals for 45 days, but it is more than likely that when the accident occurred their daily allowance of fodder was reduced in order to provide as far as possible for a protracted sojourn at sea. The vessel has now been 48 days out from this port. The opinion is expressed by several nautical men that a vessel following the course of the prevailing current from the spot where the Boveric began to drift would probably be swept across to the coast of Mauritius.

The manager for Howard, Smith, and Co. received a telegram this afternoon from the chief officer of the Boveric at Fremantle as follows:—"Boveric lost her propeller April 3, latitude 30·42 south, longitude 95·43 east; drifting till 11th, when chief officer left, about 25 miles per day north-west direction. Should be well northward of Australian-South African track."

ARRIVAL OF THE CHIEF OFFICER AT FREMANTLE.

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

EXPERIENCES IN THE LIFEBOAT.

PERTH, Thursday.

Definite news of the steamer Boveric, which was reported considerably overdue from Melbourne to Durban, was received at Fremantle this morning, when the chief and second officers and two of the crew arrived in the Willyama, having been picked up in the ship's lifeboat yesterday afternoon. The first tidings were received when early this morning the Willyama passed Rottnest with a boat in tow and signalled that she had important news to communicate. Much speculation was indulged in as to what the purport of the news would be, and it was at first thought that some members of a shipwrecked crew had been picked up. All doubts were settled, however, when the members of the Boveric's crew came ashore immediately after the steamer arrived. Shortly after the chief officer of the Boveric, Mr. H. Hayman, had landed he was interviewed, and he supplied the following particulars:—The Boveric after leaving Melbourne on March 21 experienced fine weather right through. All went well until April 3, when suddenly the tail shaft broke short off at the stern tube, and the propeller was lost. Eight days were allowed to elapse in the hope of receiving assistance, but on the eighth day, no vessels having been sighted, it was decided to send to Fremantle for assistance. The vessel was then about 1500 miles from port. The lifeboat was fitted for the trip, and after being victualled set out on her long journey in charge of myself, accompanied by the second officer (Mr. W. M'Carthy) and two A.Bs. (H. Dry and J. Timmins). The journey was commenced on April 11, and for the following 18 days light winds and calms were experienced. Then a succession of gales from N.W. to W.S.W. were experienced until May 5. Shortly after noon on Tuesday last a steamer of the G.A.S. Line was passed, but although within three miles she did not sight us, and we kept on our way. At 1.30 p.m. yesterday we sighted a steamer which proved to be the Willyama. She noticed our signals, and bore down on us, and picked us up. We were then about 10 miles from Julien Bay. Being well provisioned we suffered but little discomfort, though occasionally a sea would come over, and give us a bit of a wetting. When I left the Boveric all was well, and the stock were in splendid condition. We number 99 all told, and had 967 horses.

Captain J. L. Lawrence, of the Willyama, on being seen, said that he had little to report, except the mere fact of picking the boat up. She was sighted shortly after noon, and at 2.15 p.m. she ran alongside, and her occupants were picked up. The steamer was then in latitude 30·06 S. and long. 114·43 E. Mr. E. Hayman and his companions appeared little the worse for their long journey, being well supplied with food and water. Captain Lawrence was very pleased at picking that gentleman up, for besides having been an officer in the Adelaide Company for some years he was a personal friend.

Later.

Captain Leslie wrote a letter to the local agents saying that he was aware of the arduous undertaking allotted to the chief officer and the crew, but he had perfect confidence in their ability.

Mr. Hayman considers that they covered about 1500 miles in all, sailing some distance south in order to get fair winds. He had little fear of provisions running short on the Boveric, and when he left all hands were well. Up to the time the propeller shaft broke on April 3, 14 horses had been lost.

ACTION BY THE OWNERS.

A PROPELLER TO BE SENT FROM SYDNEY.

INTERVIEW WITH THE MANAGER.

A VALUABLE CARGO.

Mr. H. Howell, the manager in Sydney for the Howard Smith Company, Limited, was interviewed last evening by a representative of the "Sydney Morning Herald" in regard to the intentions of the owners of the ill-fated steamship Boveric. Questioned as to whether assistance would be immediately sent to the disabled vessel, he said:—

"I received a telegraphic message this afternoon from our Melbourne office requesting me to forward a propeller to Fremantle by the first available steamship. Fortunately we have a spare propeller in stock here which is admirably suited to replace that lost by the Boveric, and I am now engaged in completing arrangements for its immediate shipment."

"Will any vessel be despatched to the assistance of the disabled steamer?"

"Beyond all doubt action will be promptly taken by my company, but so far I have not been advised of the arrangements made. This matter will be dealt with by our Melbourne office. We cabled to her port of destination a few days ago asking steamers leaving Durban for Australia to keep a sharp lookout for the Boveric, and no doubt this request will be responded to. Now that it is known that the Boveric is helplessly drifting about the Indian Ocean we feel confident that vessels will, if necessary, be taken out of their course to search for her."

"Then you cannot say from which port assistance will be despatched?"

"No. At present I have no information on that subject. Of course a great deal of valuable time would be saved if we could send a steamer from Fremantle, but I doubt very much whether a suitable vessel is in port there. Inquiries are being actively instituted by the Melbourne office, and if any difficulty is experienced in securing assistance from Western Australian ports arrangements will be made elsewhere. I feel confident that if she is afloat—and I have no reason to doubt it—she will soon be picked up and brought safely back to Fremantle."

"How many lives are there on board?"

"I believe about 90 all told, but the exact figures are obtainable only in Melbourne, from which port she sailed direct for Durban. The officers and crew number about 40, but she also has aboard about 50 stockmen who are proceeding with the shipment of horses. When the Boveric left Sydney there were only 29 stockmen, but this number was largely increased when in port at Melbourne. The Boveric is in command of Captain Leslie, who has associated with him as chief officer Mr. Hayman."

"Was her cargo of live stock a very valuable one?"

"Yes; she shipped over 900 horses altogether from the ports of Newcastle, Sydney, and Melbourne. The value of this shipment, without freight, would be, roughly speaking, between £12,000 and £13,000. Upon being landed, however, at Durban their value would be considerably enhanced. The cost of shipment, feed, and attendance is a big item."

"Who were the shippers?"

"The horses belonged to Mr. M'Innes, who is a passenger—the only passenger, I might say—by the Boveric. He is a dealer in horseflesh on an extensive scale, and is a shrewd man of business. I don't think any of the animals were sold prior to shipment."

"Do you know whether they were insured?"

"I cannot say definitely, but I have good reasons for believing that they were not covered by insurance. A good proportion of the horses were purchased for Mr. M'Innes by Mr. Inglis, of this city, and in conversation with Mr. Inglis he told me that the animals would not be insured because the rates quoted to cover live stock against mortality were very high. Of course it is quite possible that insurance was effected in Melbourne, but it is improbable."

"Had she any other cargo?"

"Only a large quantity of fodder for the 900 horses and a sufficient supply of coal for her own consumption."

"The Boveric is a large and valuable vessel, is she not?"

"Yes. Her value, I should say, is about £60,000. She is comparatively a new steamer, and is the largest vessel owned by the shipping companies of Australia. Her capacity is 6000 tons deadweight."

"Is the Boveric insured?"

"Oh, yes. She is covered in London, but in what office or for what amount I cannot say. These matters are arranged at home."

"What is the average passage?"

"Well, the Boveric could do the trip in 25 days from Melbourne to Durban, but that would be an excellent passage. I should say 27 or 28 days would be a fair average passage for the Boveric. She left Melbourne on March 21—48 days ago to-day—so that she may be regarded as nearly three weeks overdue. The Boveric on her last trip occupied, speaking from memory, only 25 days."

"What opinion do you hold of her commander?"

"Well, Captain Leslie is one of the smartest men we have in Australia. He is an intelligent and capable officer, and as a navigator has had great experience. He is a man of sound judgment, and we feel quite sure that the best course possible under the unfortunate circumstances will be pursued by him."

"Have you formed any opinion as to the probable cause of the accident?"

"There can be little doubt that the Boveric encountered very bad weather on the passage across, and in that case it is highly probable that Captain Leslie turned her round head to wind and eased off so as to avoid disturbing the live stock as far as possible. My theory is that the Boveric experienced some big seas, and being comparatively light her propeller would at times be lifted above the surface of the water. Then as she was tossed about her propeller would strike the water with terrific force, fracturing it or breaking it. Everything would depend upon the position of the propeller at the time it struck the water. Such accidents have happened before in a similar way. I have known a propeller to be almost stripped in this way."

In conclusion Mr. Howell said that he did not entertain any fear for the safety of the Boveric, and believed that she would shortly be heard of.

THE NEWS IN SYDNEY.

The news that the fine cargo-carrier Boveric, of the Howard Smith Company's fleet, was helplessly drifting about the Indian Ocean was received in shipping circles yesterday with a good deal of alarm. Some anxiety had been felt for the safety of the vessel ever since she was reported as overdue, but the hope had been expressed that she had not met with an accident. The Boveric shipped the first portion of her live stock at Newcastle, from which port she sailed on March 13. She left Sydney on the following day, and finally took her departure from Melbourne for Durban direct on March 21. Her shipment of horses, over 900 in number, has only been once exceeded from the Commonwealth. Sufficient fodder was taken to last for 45 days, or 15 days longer than was allowed for the voyage. The Boveric was well provisioned, and carried an ample supply of water.

The currents in the Indian Ocean set to the eastward, and the average rate of drift is eight or nine miles per day.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BOVERIC.

The Boveric is a steel screw steamer of 3987 tons gross register. She was built in 1898 by Russell and Co., of Port Glasgow, her dimensions being:—Length, 345·2ft.; breadth, 49·8ft.; and depth, 17·9ft. Her engines are triple expansion, cylinders 25in., 41in., and 66in., of about 1700 horse-power, and were built by Rankin and Blackmore, of Greenock.

Captain L. A. Leslie, who has charge of the Boveric, has been in the employ of the Howard Smith line for a number years. He left the Buninyong a few months ago to take command of the Boveric on her first trip to South Africa, and is justly regarded as one of the most experienced masters in Australia. The Boveric, it will be remembered, was in a serious collision off the Heads with the steamer Cloncurry in October last, both vessels sustaining considerable damage.

SIMILAR EXPERIENCES OF THE PAST.

THE CASE OF THE WAIKATO.

ALMOST A PARALLEL CASE.

It will be within the recollection of many, especially those interested in shipping, that in June, 1899, the steamer Waikato had a similar experience in the Indian Ocean. The two cases appear to be almost parallel, except that the Waikato at the time of her disablement was nearly double the distance from the shores of Australia. In view of the similarity of the two accidents, the following account of the voyage of the Waikato, as narrated by the second officer, Mr. Acton, will be of interest:—"On the afternoon of June 3 we were rolling in a heavy S.W. swell off Table Mountain. On the 5th, at 2 a.m., all hands were roused by a terrific vibratory motion, lasting only a few seconds, and immediately followed by the ringing of the engine telegraph to stop. Nothing wrong was discovered, and by 4 a.m. the forehead ballast tanks were filled, so that a view of the propeller might be obtained at daylight. It was then ascertained that although the blades were intact they remained motionless when the engines were going. It became evident that the tail end of the shaft had broken. The fracture was afterwards located by the engineers in the stern tube, 6ft. inside the stern gland. Absolutely nothing could be done. We were then about 180 miles south of Cape Agulhas. A moderate to fresh westerly wind was blowing, and all sail was set to try and get to the northward again. A strong current is marked on the chart as setting about north-west here, and it was hoped that we should soon run up with it towards the land, and receiving help from the shore or a passing steamer, put an end at once to our rather precarious condition. Our hopes were high when it was found by observance on the 6th that we had made 31 miles in the right direction, and no one doubted that the morrow would find us still nearer the much-needed assistance, but we were doomed to disappointment, for we found that the steamer had drifted 51 miles almost due east. Sail was set at various times, but the ship was perfectly unmanageable, whether with or without it. We then decided upon rigging up a sea anchor in case heavy weather should set in, and the ship require it to keep her head to the sea. Three of our derricks were unshipped and lashed with wire in the form of a triangle. This was then backed with rope, and the whole concern with canvas. One end of the triangle was weighted with a kedge anchor, and strong wires from each corner formed a bridle by coming together in an eye at the centre, and to this the heavy towing wire was attached, the whole thing being completed by a wire made fast to its lower end. At daybreak on July 28 there was great excitement when a vessel was reported on the starboard bow, the first we had seen since our breakdown. The distress signals were promptly attended to, and she bore down on us and signalled. At 10 a.m. we sent a boat away to her, and it returned with the news that she was the Tacora, a four-masted barquentine, of Liverpool, 740 tons, bound to the Mauritius. The pleasing intelligence was also brought that they would try and tow us to the northward. During the afternoon we ran a tow line aboard of her; but she lay becalmed until about 7 p.m., when a slight breeze making from the north-west, she commenced to roll, and succeeded in getting our head round to the northward. The breeze freshened, and we appeared to be making good headway; but, unfortunately, the tow rope parted just before midnight, and the Tacora had to stand off until the morning. Next day the wind was strong, and there was a rough north-west sea. The Tacora two or three times during the day ran close to our stern and alongside to leeward with backed yards and full fore and aft sail, and, after hauling us, backed right across our bows to windward, as if we were at anchor, although every stitch of canvas was set aboard. The weather was not improving. At 5 p.m. the Tacora stood off for the night, with good lights aboard each vessel to show their whereabouts. The following morning the wind was moderate, and at 8 a.m. we got a boat out and attempted to put a tow rope aboard her again, but the sea was too rough, and upon heaving in the small line it parted, obliging us to give the attempt up until the afternoon. About 2 p.m. she ran close to our stern, and receiving a heaving line from us succeeded in getting a hold on the hauling rope with our heavy wire attached, but could not manage to get it aboard before dark, and accordingly commenced to tow with the hauling line. There was a light N.N.E. breeze at first, but it gradually fell, and by morning it was almost calm with a moderate S.E. swell during the greater part of the night. The Tacora had been lying slightly on the port bow, our head being about N.W., but towards 5 a.m. we swung round to the southward and brought her well on the starboard beam, and rather nearer to us than we liked. Unfortunately she evidently got aback here, and commenced to come down on us, forcing her captain to cut the tow line and attempt to get her upon the port tack, but the sternway she had was already sufficient to render a collision inevitable, and all hands were called to prepare for the consequences. Half-dressed men came tumbling up rapidly from below and breathlessly awaited the first shock. She crashed into us with her stern right amidships, then sagging along towards our bow struck us three more times before clearing it. By a miracle the last blow just cleared our fore-rigging, and none of her spars fouled us, or the consequences might have been serious. As it happened we escaped with bent top plates and a boat davit, and before she had gone any distance from us we hailed and ascertained that she had not suffered very seriously. Everything possible had been done to avoid the collision, and no blame could be attached to the Tacora. At 8 a.m. she signalled that she could not render any more assistance, and after promising to report us wherever and as soon as possible stood away to the north-west. As our company's steamer, the Ruahine, should have been in this locality about the evening of August 16, and our set seemed steady south, it was determined to get on the track if possible, and keep a good lookout for her. Our provisions were now giving out, and during the next few days we were busy overhauling the cargo for something to replace them. Some tinned herrings and sardines, Dutch cheese, and a quantity of seed peas rewarded our search, and we had no doubt that there was more to found if necessary. We felt the want of flour most keenly, and hunted diligently for some Quaker oats as a substitute, but without success. On September 1 the barque Anca, of Glasgow, bound to Brisbane, was encountered. The captain of the barque said that it was impossible to tow them. He promised, however, to report the Waikato as soon as possible, and let the world know they were still afloat, which was, Mr. Acton remarks, at least consoling. On September 8 The Alice, a sailing ship regularly on the trade between America and New Zealand, and bound for Wellington, was sighted. Mr. Turnbull, late second officer on the Waikato, who was returning to New Zealand on his old boat as a passenger, was transferred to the Alice after an affectionate parting with his old companions. The Alice presented the crew of the disabled vessel with two barrels of beef, three barrels of flour, and five spare sails with sewing materials, the gratitude of the recipients being expressed by three ringing cheers. On the afternoon of the 13th the barque Motis, of Dundee, was spoken, but was unable to render assistance. At noon on September 15 the Asloun was met with, and took the disabled vessel in tow."

VICTORIA.

DEATH OF MR. A. L. TUCKER.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. Albert Lee Tucker, formerly a member of the Legislative Assembly for Fitzroy, died suddenly this morning, aged 59. Deceased had been in indifferent health for the past two years. His first participation in the conduct of public affairs was in 1870, when he was elected to the Fitzroy Municipal Council, and he remained a member of it for nine years. In 1877 he was elected a member of the Legislative Assembly, and in 1884 he became Minister for Lands, holding office for five years. He retired from Parliamentary life a couple of years ago.

DEATH OF A SAILOR.

A sailor named James Bridges, aged 28, belonging to the barque Strathgryfe, which lies stranded at Waratah Bay, died in Melbourne Hospital this morning. The death was caused by swallowing about half an ounce of carbolic acid. Deceased, who visited several hotels with his mate last night, was not well this morning, and paid a visit to Chegwidden's Pharmacy, in Flinders-street, and obtained a "pick-me-up." Chegwidden states he was preparing some carbolic ointment when deceased came in, the vessel containing about half an ounce of carbolic acid was standing on the counter, and after deceased had taken the mixture prepared for him he seized the vessel containing the carbolic acid and swallowed the contents.

TRIAL OF A PENTRIDGE ESCAPEE.

The Full Court to-day considered certain points of law arising out of the trial of John O'Connor at the Criminal Court last November, on a charge of escaping from Pentridge. The Full Court held there was nothing in the points to disturb the finding of the Criminal Court, and O'Connor's conviction was therefore upheld.

THE PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The commission of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria dealt to-day with the subject of the occupation of the New Hebrides, and adopted the following resolution:—"That in the opinion of this commission of the assembly the time is opportune for the withdrawal of any claim of France to the New Hebrides, and for the concession to be mutually agreed to, and that this commission urges on the Right Hon. E. Barton to press the matter on the Secretary of State for the Colonies during his visit in England."

THE BISHOP OF GIPPSLAND.

The Primate has forwarded to the administrator of the diocese of Melbourne his official confirmation of the election of the Rev. Canon Pain as Bishop of Gippsland. The consecration will take place at St. Andrews' Cathedral on May 20.

TEACHERS FOR THE TRANSVAAL.

Mr. Frank Tate, Director of Education of Victoria, and Mr. Bridges, Chief Inspector of Schools of New South Wales, have been appointed to draw up a scheme for selecting 40 female teachers for the concentration camps of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony. Mr. Tate proceeds to Sydney in a few days to consult with Mr. Bridges.

One of the crew of the barque Carradele died during the voyage of that vessel from Fredrikstadt. Deceased was a native of Finland, named Austin Ostman, and his demise was due to consumption. The Carradele reached the Bay this morning, after a voyage of over 100 days.

Out of 149 returned soldiers who applied for positions in the Victorian foot police only 22 succeeded in passing the tests of the board of examiners.

In the County Court to-day, before Judge Johnston, Henry Gordon, a professional trainer, sued William Martin, professional cyclist, for the recovery of training fees to the amount of £50. The case excited great interest among cyclists and others. Mr. Wood, who appeared for the plaintiff, said that Gordon acted as Martin's trainer for a considerable time, and received payment at the rate of £1 a week; but in November, when Martin took the Albion Hotel, it was arranged that Gordon should receive free board and lodging at the hotel and 10s weekly. A couple of weeks before the Austral meeting Martin told Gordon the Austral would be his last race, and if Gordon kept his mouth shut as to Martin's intentions to win the race he would be given a commission of 15 per cent. on the first-prize money. Mr. M'Arthur, who appeared for the defendant, denied that there had been any agreement, but that Martin had promised Gordon a present of £25, of which £10 had been paid, and the balance, £15, was now paid into court. Evidence was given by plaintiff, who, among other things, said that Martin admitted to him that it cost him £3200 to win the Austral. After further evidence the Court adjourned to allow the parties to confer. When the Court resumed counsel informed his Honor that Gordon accepted the £15 paid into court in full settlement of his claim.

The Premier (Mr. A. J. Peacock) to-day remitted to the Railway Standing Committee the question of improving the Hobson's Bay harbour accommodation for large vessels.

Letters of administration have been granted in the estate of the late Walter Williamson, of Elmhurst, who died intestate. The estate is valued at £67,000. His widow and six children are next of kin.

The Rev. T. B. Tress, of St. Stephen's, Richmond, formerly of Sydney, has been ill since the mission which he conducted in a tent at Clifton Hill. The strain of the mission, followed by a severe attack of influenza, caused a weakening of some of the vessels of the heart, producing great pain and prostration. Mr. Tress's medical adviser recommends complete rest for a time.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Protests are arriving from the country districts against the Government retrenching the Civil servants.

The health inspector to-day condemned 150 barrels of salt herrings and 24 cases of dates as unfit for food.

Information has been received that the Oakey coal-miners have struck work.

Mr. Philp leaves for Sydney about Tuesday to attend the conference of Premiers.

When the Weather Bureau is abolished the work of keeping the record of rainfall will be placed in the hands of the hydraulic engineer, Mr. Henderson. It is understood that the practice of obtaining telegrams daily is the most expensive item connected with the bureau, and will be discontinued, and periodical reports will be obtained.

Alderman M'Elhone was entertained at luncheon by the Mayor to-day.

The last of the 1901-2 series of Brisbane wool sales was held this afternoon. 3187 bales were offered, and were mostly sold. There was a record attendance of buyers, and competition was keen throughout. Prices were in full sympathy with the recent advances in the home market. Compared with February sales prices showed an advance of 7½ to 15 per cent. Competition was specially strong for greasies, while all fine descriptions of scoureds were in keen demand. The top greasy was 8½d, and scoured 19d.

A Chinese storekeeper at Bowen was convicted to-day of selling opium to an aboriginal, and was fined £20 with costs.

A Cold Day Beverage.—Appetising, liver-cleansing, strengthening. Nicholls' Tasmanian Dandelion Ale.—Advt.

Unequalled and Invincible for Coughs and Colds, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

MINISTERS AT GRAFTON.

REMARKS UPON ART UNIONS.

ATTITUDE OF ARCHDEACON MOXON.

LEGISLATION NEXT SESSION.

REDUCTION OF MEMBERS.

REFERENDUM TO BE TAKEN.

PROPOSED FORESTRY COMMISSION.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

GRAFTON, Thursday.

When the cathedral fair was opened on Tuesday night by the Premier he made reference to art unions at bazaars, but said he would as soon buy anything he wished as engage in a raffle. Messrs. Kidd, Levien, and Bennett afterwards spoke, the two first-named expressing the sentiment that raffles in the present circumstances were not wrong.

Last night when the fair was opened Archdeacon Moxon delivered an address, in which he stated that on the previous evening he reminded those engaged at the stalls that, according to the law of the Church in this diocese, no raffling, art unions, or games of chance would be permitted. A law to this effect was passed by the synod in 1886 in their diocese, and in two cases it had been broken since, but in each case the money raised by such means was not received by the Church. He had hoped that after his reminder there would have been a recognition of the rule, but he saw that this was not the case, as raffling under the name of an art union was carried on. Proceeding, he said the Bishop would have a perfect right to deal with him in the same way as General Hutton recently dealt with the officers who permitted insubordination. He would lay all the facts before the Bishop, and allow him to deal with him and with the matter as he thought fit. In the meantime he would ask the stallholders who received money from raffles, art unions, or any similar means to inform the fair secretaries of the amounts, and he would pay that sum from his own pocket to some local institution of a non-religious nature so as to as far as might be wipe out the stain on the parish. He would also refer to another matter. On the previous evening Mr. See opened the fair in a speech excellent in tone and temper, Mr. Bennett also speaking in the same strain, but he regretted that their example was not followed by others.

The remarks were generally discussed to-day. The art union sales are now stopped at the fair, and the Archdeacon has given an amount equal to the art union receipts out of his own pocket to the School of Arts. One lady informed me to-day that the Attorney-General when applied to for permission to hold the art union in connection with the fair said that it might be done provided no tickets were sold outside the building.

Owing to the promoters of the fancy fair, which is being held in the rink in aid of the Anglican Church funds, persisting in disposing of goods by lottery, in direct opposition to Archdeacon Moxon's expressed wish, the latter has tendered his resignation of the Grafton parish to the Bishop. In his address last night in the rink the Archdeacon strongly denounced raffling and lotteries in connection with the fair.

Mr. See was engaged in private business to-day, but the party visited the site of the proposed experimental farm, seven miles out. Nothing has yet been done on the ground except some fencing. The soil is typical of that in the district, there being alluvial flats, strong grain land, and poor soil. It is intended to try the effects of cultivation on all of these. Mr. Kidd expressed himself pleased at the selection of the site. The party also spent two hours at the aboriginal settlement.

A CITIZENS' BANQUET.

A citizens' banquet was tendered to Mr. See and the visiting Ministers at Roche's hotel to-night. The attendance was very large, and numbers of people were unable to obtain seats. Mr. Samuel See, Mayor of Grafton, presided, supported on his right by the Premier and Mr. George Varley, and Mr. Levien, M.L.A., and on the left by Messrs. Kidd, Bennett, T. Page, and W. Rigg.

Mr. Thomas Page (president of the Chamber of Commerce) proposed the toast of "Our Guests."

Mr. See, in responding, thanked the company for the enthusiasm with which the toast had been honoured. He said when he was called on to form a Government he realised that the time had come when, in consequence of federation having been accomplished and fiscalism having been relegated to another sphere, they might perhaps as a Government work for the good of all concerned, and that party considerations might well be put on one side. He had no idea of trying to dish one party or the other, but he was met with opposition he little dreamed of, and was told that there were two large questions still to be considered—freetrade and protection. He felt that these had been relegated to the federal arena, but others thought differently, and he was then called on to fight the press in the general election which followed. He fought and beat it, and now he could tell the people that while the press was entitled to express an opinion, and to wield a power, yet the Government, as ruling the country, was the highest of all, and it would be a bad day for the people when one or two people, sitting in offices, were permitted to rule the community. The press also found fault with his programme last session as too long, but the legislation passed was fruitful of good for the people. (Cheers.) Industrial arbitration and the Western Lands Act were two of the number which were of the highest importance. Among other things the Government was assailed on its financial administration. Mr. Lee (leader of the Opposition), before the last election, told the Government it should call Parliament together to consider the advisability of introducing fresh taxation. He (the Premier) had replied that federation would give a large increase of revenue, and so it had proved. The revenue had been most elastic, notwithstanding the drought; and the financial condition of the country to-day was highly satisfactory, considering all the disabilities under which the Government had laboured during the past three or four years. When the Lyne Government came into power it found the finances in a bad way. He had documents in his possession which proved that the late Government had tried to float a loan, but was advised that the time was inopportune, that the market was dear, and that it would be better to wait till better times came. That left on the Lyne Government the obligation to provide the necessary means for paying the State creditors and for carrying on necessary work. It therefore put Treasury bills on the market to finance this condition of things rather than float a large loan for a long period at a price higher than ought to be paid. Some men who professed to be patriots were the worst enemies of the people, because they went into highways and byways and proclaimed that things were in an unsatisfactory condition in regard to the finances, forgetting the true reasons why at the present time a little more had to be paid for money than formerly. The African war had been the cause of £200,000,000 being withdrawn from industrial enterprise, and England herself had to pay more for her loans than formerly. The last loan New South Wales put on the market brought a price equal to that of English Consols at the time, and the bonds were taken up and the cost of flotation was not higher than that of English loans. (Cheers.) No Government had been more careful of expenditure than this one. The present was not a time, when the country was drought-stricken and the people not able to launch out into enterprises, for the Government to discontinue public works. (Cheers.) On the question of reduction in the number of members he would tell the people that when the time came he was going to give the people an opportunity of saying what they wanted. The Government considered that it was the proper way of treating this question, and when a referendum was taken, if the people decided that there was to be a reduction of members, the Government would cordially obey the mandate received. He could tell the people that the revenue was satisfactory. Of the last loan floated one million went to pay off Treasury bills floated when the Government took office, and one million or more went to pay for the Darling Harbour resumptions.

NEXT SESSION'S LEGISLATION.

The legislation next session was not going to be comprised in a long list of bills, but in a few good ones. The proposer of the toast had mentioned local government. He must remind them that local government meant increased taxation, but if he could apply the land tax for local government purposes, and give the local people an opportunity of spending the money in the way they thought best, he was of opinion it would be a solution of the difficulty. In regard to what he called a comprehensive local government bill he was going to try to bring in a bill of that description, which would enable the people who contributed to the land tax to obtain the right to expend that money in their own electorates—(cheers)—upon work which they thought most advantageous to themselves. (Renewed cheers.) The municipal bill which he proposed to bring in would be quite up to date. Of course he might receive his conge when Parliament assembled, but if so he would accept his fate, and personally would not be displeased; but as long as the people thought their representatives in Parliament trusted him he would carry out his trust, and govern as a responsible Minister, according to the will of the people. Reverting to local government, the present was not the time to increase taxation in the country, as the drought had proved a sufficiently severe enough tax. He believed he had the confidence of the people just as truly as he knew he had the confidence of the electors of Grafton. (Loud cheers.) When the time came for the Government to give up its trust he would take his fate without grumbling. (Prolonged cheers.)

Mr. Kidd also responded in a short speech.

CENTRAL DIVISION LANDS.

Mr. Bennett also responded. Referring to the administration of the Lands Department, he spoke of the agitation going on in the Central Division against Mr. Crick's administration, and pointed out that Mr. Crick's policy, as laid down by him on a dozen occasions in dealing with the expiring pastoral leases in the Central Division, was that he considered the squatters deserving of consideration. Where practicable he would give squatters the opportunity of securing at least a third of their holdings as improvement leases, especially in view of the large number of stock that the runs carried and of the severe drought now occurring. It would be of no benefit to the State to turn out a tenant who paid his dues and put in his place a man who might possibly not be able to meet his obligations. So far as his (Mr. Bennett's) experience went the interests of selectors had been carefully considered in the apportionment of the areas thrown open for settlement leases. It must be remembered that in nearly all improvement leases granted provision had been made for resumption by the Crown in seven and ten years to meet the needs of settlement. It would be unwise to create a scramble for all the land available in the Central Division at present. Land let on improvement lease would revert to the State enhanced in value, and then would be made available for settlement. He believed in one phase of administration to be dealt with by Mr. Crick, and it was that under the present land law land made available for settlement lease was disposed of by ballot. In very many cases that came under his notice the bona fide settler was not successful in securing land, and speculators received areas, which they ultimately disposed of at very large premiums, sometimes totalling several thousand pounds. It was not in the interests of the State that any third person should come between the State and the bona fide settler and, as it were, "blackmail" him to that extent. It would be a matter for consideration whether the Act could not be amended so as to enable the department to dispose of settlement leases in future by auction, so that the market value might be obtained by the State. He claimed that the Lands administration had been of the most liberal character. Referring to the Western Lands Act, he hoped its operation would be such that this vast area of the national estate would be brought into something like productiveness. It was the intention of the Government to amend the Advances to Settlers Act so as to enable the board to advance sums of money up to £2000. As an instance of the utility of such an amendment, it might be pointed out that under the operation of the New Zealand Act over £3,000,000 had been disbursed by the board in that colony, much to the advantage of those engaged in developing the resources of the country. In regard to forestry at the present time, much friction existed between the forestry branch and the Lands Department as to what lands should be reserved for forestry purposes and what thrown open for settlement. Out of six and a half million acres of forest reserves it was found that a large area carried no timber at all. There was also a vast area of densely timbered country open for selection. It was contemplated to appoint almost immediately a commission of skilled departmental officers for the purpose of inspecting and reporting upon and making recommendations as to the disposal of the timbered lands of the State, with a view of certain areas being set apart as permanent forests and other lands as temporary forest reserves. It was hoped to secure from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 acres as forest reserves. Provision would be made in the new Forestry Bill for leasing forest lands as improvement leases and special leases so that settlement could proceed side by side with the careful conservation of forests. Referring to the new regulations which come into force on July 1 he said he expected a substantial increase in the reserve, without inflicting any severe hardship on the timber industry. He pointed out that, although many of those engaged in timber getting were under the impression that royalty charges would be borne by them, such was not the case. In nearly every instance the charge, small as it was, would be borne by the consumer. When he forwarded the new regulations to the New Zealand Government, Mr. John Coom, Chief Engineer of the Government Railways of that colony, said that the proposed charge in the regulations appeared to be very moderate, and while he was anxious to keep down the price of timber no reasonable objection could be offered to the proposals of New South Wales. New Zealand was a purchaser of timber to the extent of between £150,000 and £170,000 per year. He (Mr. Bennett) contended that it was only reasonable that this State should receive some return for the valuable estate that it was selling year by year. Since he had been in charge of the Forestry branch he had succeeded in having nearly half a million acres of additional forest reserves proclaimed, and the revenue from forests had increased by a third as compared with last year's income. He proposed to have the organisation of the department complete by the beginning of June, and he hoped to visit the Dorrigo country and other rich forest lands at an early date. As far as the Eastern Division of the State was concerned, he was of opinion that the present requirements would be met by supervision and conservation of our forests and young timber, and he intended bringing under the notice of the Western Lands Board the necessity for placing in the new leases stipulations for the planting of suitable trees and for the propagation of edible shrubs such as saltbush and cottonbush. He recognised that the destruction of timber and edible plants had been a large factor in the deterioration of the carrying capacity of the Western lands.

OTHER TOASTS.

Mr. Duncan Beatson proposed the toast of "The Parliament" in a short speech, and Mr. Levien responded.

Mr. John See proposed "Prosperity to the Clarence River district." He spoke of his long association with the district, and said it was one of the most important in the State. The development of industries which would follow better means of communication would raise it still higher in importance.

Mr. S. See (Mayor of Grafton), Mr. Albert Schwinghammer (South Grafton), and Mr. Thomas Ghisan (Mayor of Ulmarra) responded.

Mr. Kidd proposed "Success to the Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Society," and Mr. G. H. Varley (president) responded. Several other toasts followed.

CORONATION DAY IN SYDNEY.

FORM OF SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE EMPIRE.

Copies of the "Form and Order of Service" issued by command of his Majesty the King, to be used on Thursday, June 26, in connection with the Coronation in Westminster Abbey, have been received in Sydney. The order of service has been adopted for general use throughout the Empire on Coronation Day, and will be observed at the special service to be held in St. Andrew's Cathedral on June 26 as well as in the Anglican churches throughout the State.

The service opens with the anthem, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the House of the Lord." This concluded, the Archbishop (in the case of the service at St. Andrew's Cathedral) will say, "Let us pray for the good estate of our Sovereign Lord, King Edward, and of the Church and people committed to his charge."

Then will follow the reading of the Litany and the Communion office, to be succeeded by the Introit, "O, hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God." The collect, epistle, gospel, and the Nicene Creed having been recited, the sermon will be preached. At the conclusion of the sermon the Archbishop will proceed thus:—

Sirs,—I proclaim unto you Edward, the son of Her Majesty the late Most Gracious Queen Victoria, as our undoubted King.

This day the King and Queen are anointed and crowned in manner following:

First His Majesty takes the oath pertaining to his High Office, to govern the people of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the dominions thereto belonging, according to the Statutes in Parliament agreed on and to the respective laws and customs of the same; to cause law and justice, in mercy, to be executed in all his judgments; to the utmost of his power to maintain the laws of God, the true profession of the Gospel, and the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law; and to preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline, and Government thereof as by law established in England. Then His Majesty is solemnly anointed, as kings, priests, and prophets of old were thus made, and consecrated to teach and govern the people of Israel. He then is girded with the Sword of Justice, invested with the Imperial robes, presented with the Orb, the Ring, the Sceptre of the Cross, the Sceptre of the Dove, the Ensigns of Kingly Power and Justice. Then His Majesty is crowned in the ancient chair of Saint Edward. And being crowned he is presented with the Holy Bible, the most valuable thing this world affords, wherein is wisdom, wherein is the Royal law, wherein are the lively oracles of God. After the Coronation of the King the Queen also is anointed and crowned. And finally the King receives the homage of the peers and bishops, who have been summoned for that purpose.

Then will be said the following prayer:—O Lord, Holy Father, who by anointing with oil didst of old make and consecrate Kings, Priests, and Prophets to teach and govern Thy people Israel, bless and sanctify Thy chosen servant Edward this day anointed with Holy Oil and consecrated King of this Realm. Strengthen him, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. Confirm and stablish him with Thy free and Princely Spirit, the Spirit of Counsel and Ghostly Strength, the Spirit of Knowledge and true Godliness, and fill him, O Lord, with the Spirit of Thy Holy Fear, now and forever. Amen.

The Coronation Anthem (Handel) will then be sung as follows:—"Zadok the Priest and Nathan the Prophet anointed Solomon King; and all the people rejoiced and said, God save the King, long live the King, may the King live forever. Amen. Hallelujah."

Then follow these prayers:—

Hear our prayers, O Lord, we beseech Thee, and so direct and support Thy servant, King Edward, that he may not bear the sword in vain; but may use it as the Minister of God for the terror and punishment of evildoers, and for the protection and encouragement of those that do well, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, the Crown of the Faithful, bless we beseech Thee and sanctify Thy servant Edward our King; and as Thou dost this day set a Crown of pure Gold upon his Head, so enrich His Royal Heart with Thine abundant Grace and crown him with all Princely Virtues, through the King Eternal, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Lord give our King a fruitful country and healthful seasons; victorious Fleets and Armies, and a quiet Empire; a faithful Senate, wise and upright Counsellors and Magistrates; a loyal Nobility, and a dutiful Gentry; a pious and learned and useful Clergy; an honest, industrious, and obedient Commonalty. Amen.

And the same Lord God Almighty grant that the Clergy and Nobles assembled this day in Westminster for this great and solemn Service, and together with them all the people of the King's Dominions, fearing God, and honouring the King, may by the merciful superintendency of the Divine Providence, and the vigilant care of our gracious Sovereign, continually enjoy peace, plenty, and prosperity, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with the Eternal Father, and God the Holy Ghost, be Glory in the Church, world without end. Amen.

Almighty God, the Fountain of all Goodness, give ear, we beseech Thee, to our prayers, and multiply Thy blessings upon Thy servant, whom in Thy name, with all humble devotion, we consecrate our Queen; defend her evermore from dangers, ghostly and bodily; make her a great example of virtue and piety, and a blessing to this Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, O Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

On the conclusion of the service the Communion service will be proceeded with in the ordinary manner.

It is understood that the service in St. Andrew's Cathedral is to be carried out in a manner worthy of the occasion, and the arrangements for the rendering of the musical and other portions of the function are in active preparation under the supervision of the Precentor.

Entries close to-day for the coursing events to be decided at Belmore Park to-morrow.

PARLIAMENTARY REFORM.

REDUCTION OF MEMBERS.

Two meetings have been held in the city in favour of a reduction in the number of members in the State Parliament, and there is every indication that the electors will make the subject such a burning one that the Ministry must deal with the matter in the beginning of the ensuing session, which opens in about three weeks' time. The electors of the country are also alive to the importance of the subject, as is shown by our telegrams for some days past. There appears to be a strong feeling that the question should not be blocked by the cry that a local government measure should accompany a measure for the reduction in the number of members of Parliament. In many quarters it is believed that a reduction in the number of members of Parliament is much more likely to be followed by the Local Government Bill, for which New South Wales has long been languishing, than a Local Government Bill is likely to be followed by a reduction in the number of members of Parliament.

The subject is one in which increasing interest is being shown, and there is every indication that early in the next session of Parliament the matter will be brought forward, and members will have to declare on which side they are. The electors will then be able to judge as to what future action is necessary.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the State Parliament Reform Association, held on Wednesday afternoon, it was resolved,—"That the association co-operate with the movement initiated at the meeting held in the Town Hall on May 6 for the purpose of securing the reduction of the number of members of Parliament." This association was formed at a public meeting held in the Protestant Hall on April 16, 1901.

There are thus practically three organisations working in the metropolitan area to bring about a fulfilment of the promises of State retrenchment which were put forward when the people voted for the acceptance of the Federal Constitution, and which have not been fulfilled by the State Government, as is shown by the large amount of the Estimates passed last session.

A meeting under the auspices of the Petersham Progress Association will be held on Wednesday, May 14, to discuss the question of the reform of the Legislative Assembly. The Mayor of Petersham is also calling a meeting on the same question.

At the last meeting of the Ermington and Rydalmere Council a letter from the Katoomba Council was received, requesting that a public meeting should be convened and a petition be signed in favour of the introduction of a local government measure into Parliament. It was resolved that the Mayor and council clerk should be instructed to sign the petition.

At the last meeting of the Marsfield Council the Katoomba Council wrote, suggesting that a public meeting should be called and a petition signed in favour of local government, and it was resolved that the Marsfield Council should co-operate with the Katoomba Council as requested.

DISCUSSION AT THE SYDNEY LABOUR COUNCIL.

REDUCTION OF MEMBERS CONDEMNED.

At last night's meeting of the Sydney Labour Council, presided over by Mr. Allan Cameron, a discussion took place on the movement towards State reform and the proposal to reduce the number of representatives in the Legislative Assembly. The initiative was taken by the executive of the council, which submitted the following recommendation:—"Whereas under the altered conditions of government under the Commonwealth it is desirable that an amendment of the State constitution should be adopted dealing mainly with the following items:—Firstly, election of the State Governor by Parliamentary voters; and, secondly, abolition of the present irresponsible Legislative Council; and, further, previous to the consideration of any reorganisation of the State Legislative Assembly, measures dealing with adult franchise and local government should be first passed into law: Resolved, that in the opinion of this council the present agitation for the reduction of members of the State Legislative Assembly is an attempt to debar the workers from representation, and this council urges the Political Labour League to take immediate steps to organise meetings throughout the State to unmask the veiled attempt to stifle progressive legislation."

The discussion was started by Mr. E. H. Hurley, who said that he considered it was time the council expressed an opinion on the subject if it were only for the guidance of workers throughout the State. A great deal of discussion had taken place regarding reduction of members, but nothing whatever had been said about reform of the Upper House, which he considered was a much more important matter, together with other questions that should be settled before the people proceeded to decrease the number of their representatives. The Legislative Council was an irresponsible body, which took upon itself some extraordinary powers. It would, he urged, be absurd to allow the Upper House to retain its present status with increased power by a reduction of the members of the Legislative Assembly. Before any further steps were taken the people should insist upon the reconstruction or else the abolition of the nominee chamber. (Applause.) Members were obliged, besides discharging political duties, to attend to quite a number of important civic matters. During the next session it was anticipated that the Adult Suffrage Bill would be passed, and in the event of such taking place the members of Parliament would represent double the number of electors they did at present. The reduction of members at the present time would be a retrograde movement, and should be opposed by the workers. In conclusion he moved the adoption of the executive's recommendation.

The motion was seconded by Mr. T. Hoskins. He said that the wishes of the people would be much easier met by economy in other matters. If, instead of reducing the number of representatives, payment were made merely for services rendered, a greater saving could be effected, and the interests of the people would be better safeguarded. (Applause.) He could not understand why a move in that direction had not been made by the workers before. The division lists during the last session of Parliament showed that the business before the House had not received the attention it should. The total lists did not represent 50 per cent of the votes they should have shown. If their representatives had been paid on division some of the most prominent men in the House would have had a very small sum to draw from the Treasury. If the reform were to take the shape proposed it would not necessarily mean a saving of expense, for the reason that a smaller House could easily be manipulated by the Ministry for the time being and there would be a reversion to the old order of things.

After further discussion, the motion was carried by a large majority.

PRELIMINARY MEETING AT GOULBURN.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

A preliminary meeting of citizens was held last night, Alderman Knowlman presiding. The following resolution was carried, with three dissentients,—"That this meeting is in hearty accord with the Taxpayers' Union of New South Wales in its demand for the reduction of members in our State Legislature, and for the introduction of a measure for a liberal system of local government. That immediate arrangements be made to requisition the Mayor to call a public meeting of citizens of Goulburn in support of the movement." Mr. F. Wegg Horne, organiser of the taxpayers' union, attended the meeting, and explained that all that was desired was that any action taken should be in line with that already taken by the union in Sydney. That meeting, he said, was at perfect liberty to take its own course. A committee was appointed, with Mr. J. P. Astbury as secretary. The chairman strongly commented on Mr. Hose's proposal at Taralga to give the country residents more voting power than the city residents, and denounced it as absurd.

BERRY, Thursday.

The Berry Council last night received the local government petition from Katoomba, and decided to sign it and co-operate in the movement.

BURRAGA, Thursday.

A unanimous feeling exists here as to the necessity for State reform, especially in the direction of the reduction of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

KIAMA, Thursday.

The Katoomba Council's resolution regarding the petitioning of the Government to introduce a local government bill into Parliament was discussed at some length at a meeting of the Kiama Borough Council to-day. The Mayor was of opinion that unless something better was intended than the bill drafted some time ago it would be better to leave the matter alone. Alderman Love said every bit of legislation passed lately increased taxation. He considered New South Wales more heavily taxed than Ireland. He would like a provision to be made in the proposed bill for the council dealing with hotel licenses. He moved,—"That the letter be received, and that the Katoomba Council be informed that the Kiama Council is in favour of a form of local government." Alderman Carson was opposed to the proposed local government bill, because it would not be applicable to the whole State, and, besides, it would give the councils authority to cut down bills and tax ratepayers in localities for the expense of so doing. He moved as an amendment,—"That no action be taken." The amendment was seconded by Alderman Pike, who was of opinion that a local government bill would be no advantage to the district, and that as it would be accompanied with more taxes the council would be in a worse position than it is at present. The motion was carried by 5 votes to 3.

PICTON, Thursday.

A meeting has been called by the Mayor for to-morrow night to discuss the question of State reform and local government.

AMUSEMENTS.

PEOPLE'S POPULAR ENTERTAINMENT.

The weekly popular entertainments held in the Centenary Hall, under the auspices of the Central Methodist Mission, continue to attract a good share of public patronage. Last night the first of a series of "Grand National Nights" was held, and Ireland in picture, song, and story was dealt with. The chief feature of the programme was the lantern views of the many picturesque spots in the land of the Shamrock. They were explained by Mr. H. M. Hawkins, in the absence of the Rev. W. G. Taylor through illness. Mrs. and Mr. Kennedy, Miss E. Morrow, and Mr. J. C. M'Dougall contributed to the success of the programme.

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BUBONIC PLAGUE.

TWO ADDITIONAL CASES.

CHINESE QUARTERS AT ALEXANDRIA.

THE CONDITION OF PREMISES AT REDFERN.

Two additional cases of plague were reported to the Board of Health yesterday. Both patients were persons under 21 years of age.

The first case reported was that of Florence Gibbs, aged 18, a resident of Davidson-street, Balmain. This patient, as far as the authorities could ascertain, was employed at home, and had not been in the habit of coming into the city. She was removed to the Coast Hospital.

The second case reported was that of a school boy, eight years of age, named Cyril Atkins, a resident of Ernest-street, near Alexander-street, North Sydney.

The authorities are making a strict investigation into both these cases. This is the second case which has occurred in the North Sydney district within the past few days, and there is a fear that the source of infection in both instances is local.

CONDITION OF PATIENTS.

Dr. Salter, medical officer at the plague wards, reported last evening the condition of the patients under his care to be as follows:—

The lad Dodds, much worse. His condition very critical.

The patients Martha James, Patterson, Collins, and Fizzell, improvement maintained.

Murphy, doing well.

Gorman, very slight improvement.

Miss Gibbs (yesterday's case) a slight improvement since admission.

All other patients were making steady progress towards recovery.

THE OUTBREAK IN BRISBANE.

DEATH OF DR. WRAY.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Dr. Wray, the Government medical officer of Brisbane, who a few days ago was taken ill, and who was found to be suffering from plague, died to-day.

Another case of plague was reported to-night, the patient being the licensee of the Queensland Club Hotel. He is suffering from an acute attack. There are 16 contacts, including Mr. Jason Bales, a member of the Legislative Assembly.

Three suspicious cases are under observation. Twenty-five patients are now in the plague hospital. A large number of diseased rats are still being found in the city.

Yesterday morning, the President of the Board of Health (Dr. Ashburton Thompson) sent a wire inquiring as to the condition of Dr. Wray, Government Medical Officer for Brisbane, who was a sufferer from plague. Later in the day Dr. Thompson received a reply that the condition of Dr. Wray was critical, but that the patient had that morning slightly improved. Last evening Dr. Thompson received a second wire stating that Dr. Wray died that afternoon at 3.45 o'clock.

CHINESE QUARTERS AT ALEXANDRIA.

TO BE QUARANTINED.

The Board of Health has decided, in view of the state of the sanitary surroundings of the area at Alexandria in and around Retreat-street, where a fatal case of plague occurred on Tuesday amongst the residents, who are all Chinese, to at once quarantine the whole block for cleansing and disinfecting purposes. The medical officer of the board, after visiting the Chinaman who subsequently died from plague, reported to the president of the board in regard to the surroundings of the patient as follows:—"The place was in a filthy condition. Heaps of refuse of every description, including rags gathered from rubbish heaps, were stacked up in the patient's bedroom, to which there was no door or window. The room was pitch dark; no sunlight ever entered it. This room was the only one of premises which formed the end dwelling of several such hovels all united in one long shed that was divided by partitions of rags, &c. In these places seven Chinamen slept."

The president of the Board of Health states that the local authority, which is the Alexandria Council, has been informed of the condition of this part of their borough on many occasions during the last 10 years, but has done nothing to alter existing conditions. It is probable that portion of the block of buildings referred to will be either destroyed by fire or demolished.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Governor of Western Australia (Sir A. Lawley), Mr. and Mrs. Barton, Sir John and Lady Forrest, and Mr. Chapman, M.P., took special train to Largs Bay to-day, where they joined the Rome. Lord Tennyson and other prominent citizens bade them farewell at the station. The same vessel took away the South Australian representatives of the Bisley team, and the South Australian quota of the Australian Coronation Corps, who were paraded at Government House, where Lord Hopetoun and Lord Tennyson shook hands with each member of the corps.

The Premier has extended an invitation to the commander of the Japanese training-ship now in Victorian waters to visit Port Adelaide.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, Thursday.

In the Supreme Court, before his Honor Chief Justice Stone, yesterday, Alfred Woods was fined £100 for performing "Barrabas" on Sunday, February 16, in Her Majesty's Theatre, Kalgoorlie. The performance was given by the Woods-Williamson company, of which Mr. Woods was held by the Court to have been the manager.

The Mayor and councillors of Perth have decided to hold a civic reception at the Queen's Hall on Monday, to enable the citizens to have an opportunity of meeting the Federal Premier and Mrs. Barton and Sir John and Lady Forrest.

The half-yearly meeting of the Western Australian Bank was held yesterday. The accounts showed a balance from the previous half-year of £8131, and a net profit for the half-year of £17,416. The directors resolved to pay a dividend at the rate of 17½ per cent. per annum, free of dividend tax, and to carry forward £16,797. The reserve fund is now £225,000, and reserve profits £16,797.

The State expenditure for April was £291,858, or £50,860 less than the revenue. For the 10 months of the financial year the receipts have exceeded the disbursements by £334,612. The present credit balance is £259,873.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Thursday.

The master of the steamer Warrentinna reports that the fishing smack Royal Oak, of Melbourne, has been detained in George's Bay for the last three weeks owing to heavy weather, and was still there on the 7th instant.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Mr. Daniel Sullivan, for many years a well-known produce merchant, who did a large trade with Victoria, died to-day at the age of 75 years.

NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

Dr. Mason, Chief Health Officer, has not yet decided whether the suspicious case brought to Christchurch from the Lyttelton district is plague.

The actual work in connection with the opening of the State coal mine near Greymouth has begun.

Operations are in progress for launching the barque Alexandre, stranded on the west coast of the South Island some months ago.

THE WEATHER.

RAIN IN THE RIVERINA.

Mr. Russell, when seen last night by a representative of the "Herald," said that there were promising indications of a good fall of rain in the Riverina district. Judging, he said, from the reports which had been received at the Observatory, there would be a welcome and steady fall of useful rains for a day or two. Rain began to fall at 6 o'clock last evening at Wentworth, Hay, and Deniliquin, while Balranald reported "raining steadily." Generally speaking the weather along the coast was fine, although it was showery at Gabo. There were, Mr. Russell continued, no prospects of rain north of Riverina at present.

ALBION PARK, Thursday.

Light showers have fallen here, but the weather has cleared. Good rains are badly needed.

BOURKE, Thursday.

The indications of rain reported yesterday evening passed over after a few drops had fallen. The weather to-day is still warm, with a few scattered clouds.

BURRAGA, Thursday.

A light shower occurred here this afternoon.

COOLAMON, Thursday.

Light rain has just started to fall (8 p.m.).

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

Slight rain fell to-day.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

A light shower of rain fell this afternoon.

JUNEE, Thursday.

A couple of very light showers fell to-day.

MILLTHORPE, Thursday.

During this afternoon several light showers fell.

TUMUT, Thursday.

Last night and this morning rain threatened, but drizzling showers only fell in the forenoon.

WAGGA, Thursday Night.

Light rain is falling, with indications of a continuance.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

A moderate extent of business was recorded on the Mining market yesterday, with prices showing an easier tendency generally. In Barrier silver stocks, however, Broken Hill South, paid, were 6d firmer, with sales at 26s to 26s 6d, and a transaction in contributing at 18s 3d. Queensland quartz ventures had more support than on the previous day, but prices receded somewhat in several instances. Victoria and Caledonia Block, paid, declined to 14s, and contributing to 12s 6d. South Glanmire and Monkland had business at 37s 6d and back to 38s. Band of Hope, paid, sold at 25s 6d, Brilliant Extended, contributing at 16s 3d, and Kelly's Queen Block, paid, at 6s 8d. Owing to advices of encouraging developments in the mine No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield had an upward trend with sales of paid shares at 4s, and contributing at 2s 10d. In copper stocks New Chillagoe Railway and Mines improved a shade with business at 2s, but Mount Garnet Freehold were 1s 3d weaker at 10s. Local gold and gold dredging companies were neglected, and Western Australian gold ventures were easier, without business.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Bellambi	26/	30/
East Greta	23/	25/
Hetton	—	52/
Newcastle	—	18 10
Stockton	9/	9 9
Ditto, new	4/	6/
Vale of Clwydd	18/	—
Wallsend	34/0	34 10/
Wickham and Bullock Island	2 6	3 6
Ditto preferential, £1 pd	—	15/
COPPER.		
Cobar Chesney	6d	11d
Great Cobar	60/	—
Mount Garnet Freehold	10/	11 6
TIN		
Elsmore Valley	—	1/3
SILVER.		
New South Wales.		
British Broken Hill	8/	8 6
Broken Hill Proprietary	30/	32/
North Broken	12/	—
B. H. South	25 3	26 9
Ditto, con.	18 4	19 6
B. H. South Blocks	—	6 4
Sulphide Corporation	9/	10/
Ditto, preference	14 6	—
GOLD.		
New South Wales, &c.		
Mount David	9d	1/
Sunlight	3d	1/
Wonga W'nga	6d	—
Woodlark Island	3 2	3 9
Ditto, con.	1 9	2/
Dredging and Sluicing Companies.		
Araluen Central	8/	—
Ditto, con.	7 6	10/
Araluen Proprietary	—	5
Associated Gold-dredg.	—	3 2
Buckland River	—	3 3
Jembaicumbene	7/	7 9
Ovens River	2/	—
Shoalhaven Terraces	—	3 6
Victoria.		
Long Tunnel North	13 6	—
Star of the East	20 6	—
Queensland.		
Band of Hope	25/	26/
Brilliant Central	—	75/6
Brilliant Extended	18 9	19/6
Ditto, con.	—	16 3
Columbia Smithfield	—	2½d
Kelly's Queen Block	6 6	7/
Nth Columbia and Smithfield No. 1, old	3 8	4/
Ditto, new	2 8	3/
N'th Oriental and Glanmire No. 1	17/	19 9
Oriental and Glanmire	13/	—
Ditto, new	12/	—
Papuan	3/	3 9
Queen Cross Reef	56/	—
South Glanmire and Monkland	38/	40/
Victoria G.M. Association	2 6	3/
Victory	3 3	—
Ditto, con.	3/	—
Victoria and Caledonia Block, pd.	12 6	13/6
Ditto, con.	—	12/3
Western Australia.		
Associated	25/	26 9
Ditto, Northern Blocks	50/	53 6
Brown Hill Central	—	64
Chaffer's	—	6/
Croesus Proprietary	—	34
Great Boulder	—	19/
Ditto, Main Reef	—	14/
Gt. Boulder Persever'ce	—	11 14/
Hannan's Block 45	—	1/
Hannan's Oroya	47/	48/
Ivanhoe	7 0/	7 10/
Ivanhoe Junction	—	1 6
Kalgurli, London register	—	75/
Kalgurli South, London register	—	34/
Lake View Consols	58 6	62 6
Lake View South	—	5/
Paringa Consolidated	—	1/
Queensland Menzies	7/	7 8
Queen Margaret	—	5/

The following sales were reported:—Forenoon—Early sale: Broken Hill South, paid, 26s. On 'Change: New Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s; Brilliant Extended, contributing, 16s 3d; Columbia Smithfield, 2d. Later: South Glanmire and Monkland, 37s 6d. Noon: New Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s; Broken Hill South, paid, 26s; ditto, contributing, 18s 3d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, paid, 14s; ditto, contributing, 12s 6d. Later: No. 1 North Columbia, contributing, 2s 10d; Band of Hope, paid, 25s 6d. Afternoon: South Glanmire and Monkland, 38s; Broken Hill South, paid, 26s 6d. Later: Kelly's Queen Block, paid, 6s 8d; No. 1 North Columbia, paid, 4s; Mount Garnet Freehold, 10s.

As notified by advertisement elsewhere, the transfer books of the Shoalhaven Terraces Gold-dredging Company, N.L., will be closed from May 19 to May 26, to settle the list of shareholders entitled to the new issue of the Araluen Valley Consolidated Gold-dredging Company, N.L.

The manager of No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield Mine, Gympie, reports breaking down reef, south level, getting two dynamite boxes of good stone and good gold showing.

INTER-STATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Sales and quotations on the Stock Exchange yesterday were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, buyer 31s 4½d, seller 31s 7½d; British, old, buyer 8s 1d, seller 8s 4d; ditto, new, buyer 6s, seller 6s 3d; Block 10, 55s 9d, buyer 56s 3d, seller 57s 6d; North B. Hill, 12s 3d, buyer 12s 1½d, seller 12s 5d; South B. Hill, paid, 26s, 26s 1½d, buyer 26s, seller 26s 3d; ditto, contributing, 18s 7½d, buyer 18s 6d, seller 19s; Sulphide Corporation, ordinary, 9s 8d, buyer 9s 7d, seller 9s 9d; Associated Gold Mines, colonial, 25s 6d, 25s 3d, 26s, buyer 26s, seller 26s 3d; ditto, Northern Blocks, colonial, 52s 9d, 52s 6d, 53s, buyer 53s, seller 53s 3d; Brown Hill Central, 4d; Chaffer's, buyer 5s 11d, seller 6s 2d; Cosmopolitan Proprietary, 22s 9d, buyer 22s 6d, seller 23s; Great Boulder Proprietary, 19s, buyer 19s, seller 19s 1½d; Boulder Main Reef, buyer 13s 4½d; seller 13s 6d; Great Boulder Perseverance, buyer £11 10s, seller £11 17s 6d; Hainault, buyer 6s 3d, seller 7s; Hannan's Oroya, 47s 3d, 47s, 47s 9d, 47s 7½d, buyer 47s 6d, seller 47s 9d; Ivanhoe Gold Mines (colonial), £7 1s 6d, £7 1s, buyer £7 1s, seller £7 3s; ditto, Junction, 1s 2d, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 3d; Lake View Consols (colonial), buyer 59s 6d, seller 60s 6d; North Kalgurli, 6s 9d, 6s 10d, buyer 7s; Princess Royal, paid, buyer 17s 6d, seller 18s 6d; ditto, contributing, buyer 16s 3d, seller 17s; Queen Margaret, 4s 4d, 4s 1d, 4s 3d, buyer 4s 3d, seller 4s 5d; ditto, Central, 1s 0½d, 1s 1d, buyer 1s 0½d, seller 1s 1d; Queensland Menzies, 7s 7d, 7s 8d, buyer 7s 7d, seller 7s 9d; South Kalgurli, 33s, buyer 32s 9d, seller 33s; Westralia Waihi, contributing, 3d, 2½d; Tarcoola Proprietary, 1s 5d, 1s 4½d, buyer 1s 4½d, seller 1s 5d; Tarcoola Blocks, 27s 9d, 27s 6d, buyer 27s 6d, seller 27s 9d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s 1d, 2s 1½d, buyer 2s, seller 2s 2d; North Queensland Tin, buyer £13, seller £15; Briseis Tin Mines, 16s 7½d, buyer 16s 7½d, seller 16s 10½d; Stannary Hill, 7s 10d, 7s 6d, 7s 7d, buyer 7s 7d, seller 7s 9d; Smith's Creek, £90, £88, £85, buyer £84, seller £85.

BALLARAT, Thursday.

Sales on the Stock Exchange to-day were:—Berry Consols Extended, 43s 6d, 43s, 43s 6d; Berry United, 1s 8d, 1s 6d; Chalk's No. 3, 6s 3d; First Chance, 10½d; Hepburn Extended, 3s, 3s 6d; Imperial Queen, 1s 7d, 1s 6d; Kangaroo, 3s 9d; Main Leads North, 12s 7½d; Sebastopol Plateau No. 1, 19s 6d, 20s, 18s; Sons of Freedom No. 2, 6d; ditto ditto South, 2s 5d; South Star Extended, 2s 3d, 2s 4d, 2s; Staffordshire Reef, 6d; Woady Yallock, 2s 5d, 2s 2d; William's Fancy, 7s 1d, 7s.

BENDIGO, Thursday.

On the Exchange yesterday sales were:—Central Cookman, 2½d, 3d; Clarence, 51s; Hustler's Reef, 7s 11d, 8s; Hustler's Reef No. 1, 9s 4½d, 9s; Lady Brassey, 2s; New Chum Railway, 1s 9d; New Hopeful, 1s, 1s 0½d; New Moon Consolidated, 1s 10d; New Prince of Wales, 12s 2d; North Lady Brassey, 3s 8d; Russell's Reef, 1s 6d; South Quartz Hill, 7d.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

On the Exchange to-day sales were:—Queensland Menzies, 7s 7d; New Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s. Quotations were: New Chillagoe Railway and Mines, seller 2s 0½d; Mungana, seller 2s 9d; Mount Garnet Freehold, seller 11s 9d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

Sales on the Stock Exchange to-day were:—Bonnie Dundee, 18s 9d; Brilliant Block, contributing, 9s 9d; Clark's Brilliant, Worcester, and Victory, contributing, 3s 8d; Day Dawn West, contributing, 1s; Kelly's Queen Block, contributing, 5s 11d, 6s; ditto, paid, 6s 10d; Phœbe, contributing, 2s 9½d, 2s 10d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, 12s to 11s 6d. Quotations were: Band of Hope, paid, buyer 25s 6d; Bonnie Dundee, seller 19s 5d; Brilliant Block, contributing, buyer 8s 6d, seller 8s 11d; ditto, paid, buyer 8s 9d, seller 9s; Brilliant Freehold, contributing, buyer 2s 9d, seller 3s 3d; ditto, paid, buyer 3s 1½d, seller 3s 4d; Brilliant Extended, contributing, buyer 16s 3d, seller 16s 9d; ditto, paid, buyer 19s 9d, seller 20s; Clark's Brilliant, Worcester and Victory, contributing, buyer 3s 1½d, seller 3s 3d; ditto, paid, buyer 3s 7½d, seller 3s 8d; Craven's Caledonia, buyer 8d; Columbia Gold Mines, Limited, contributing, seller 5s; Dawn Dawn P. C., buyer 3s 1d, seller 3s 6d; Day Dawn Gold Mines, Limited, buyer 37s 3d, seller 38s 3d; Day Dawn West, contributing, buyer 10d, seller 1s; Kelly's Queen Block, contributing, buyer 5s 9d, seller 6s; ditto, paid, buyer 6s 9d, seller 7s; Kulamadau, contributing, buyer 1s 3d, seller 1s 6d; Lady Florence, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 6d; Marshall's Queen, contributing, buyer 19s 3d, seller 21s 6d; ditto, paid, buyer 20s, seller 22s; Mills United, buyer 5s 6d, seller 6s 6d; New Queen, buyer 5s 3d, seller 5s 11d; North Queen, contributing, buyer 3s 10d, seller 4s 1d; ditto, paid, buyer 5s 6d, seller 5s 9d; No. 2 South-East Day Dawn, buyer 1s 2d, seller 1s 4d; Papuan, buyer 3s 4d, seller 3s 6d; Phœbe, contributing, buyer 2s 9d, seller 2s 10d; Queen Cross Reef, buyer 57s 3d, seller 60s; Queen Central, contributing, buyer 8s 10d, seller 9s; ditto, paid, 10s 7½d, seller 10s 8d; Ruby, contributing, buyer 2s 10d, seller 2s 11½d; ditto, paid, buyer 3s 3d, seller 3s 4d; Ruby United, contributing, buyer 6d, seller 7d; ditto, paid, buyer 1s 5d, seller 1s 7d; Victoria and Queen, contributing, buyer 6s, seller 6s 6d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, buyer 11s 3d, seller 11s 9d; ditto, paid, buyer 12s 3d; Victoria G. M. Association, buyer 2s 6d, seller 2s 10d; Victory, contributing, buyer 3s.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Sales on the Stock Exchange to-day were:—No. 1 North Columbia (new), 2s 9d, 2s 10d; No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire, 19s; Oriental Surprise, 7½d; Oriental Extended, contributing, 2s 4½d.

Quotations were:—Black's New Zealand, buyer 8½d, seller 1s; No. 1 North Columbia (new), buyer 2s 10d, seller 3s; No. 2 ditto, buyer 6s 10½d, seller 7s 3d; Oriental Surprise, buyer 7½d, seller 8d; Oriental and Glanmire (new), buyer 13s 3d, seller 14s 6d; ditto (old), buyer 14s 6d, seller 16s; No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire, buyer 18s 6d, seller 19s 3d; No. 2 ditto, buyer 1s 10d, seller 2s 3d; North Oriental and Glanmire, buyer 2s 9d, seller 3s 1d; Oriental Extended, paid, buyer 3s 8½d, seller 3s 9½d; ditto, contributing, buyer 2s 4½d, seller 2s 5d; Oriental Consols, paid, buyer 7s, seller 11s; Phœnix Golden Pile, buyer 6½d, seller 10d; Queen's Oriental, contributing, buyer 3½d, seller 4d; No. 2 North Victory, buyer 9d, seller 11d.

HOBART, Thursday.

Quotations on the Stock Exchange to-day were:—Hercules, buyer 5s 9d, seller 6s 4d; North Farrell, buyer 3s 6d; Mount Lyell, buyer 72s, seller 76s; North Lyell, seller 29s; Mount Bischoff, buyer £35, seller £36; Briseis Tin Mines, seller 17s.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day sales were:—New Golden King, 3s, 3s 2d, 3s 3½d, 3s 2d, 3s 3d. Quotations: Tasmania Gold Mine, buyer £6, seller £6 8s; Magnet, buyer 25s 6d; Hercules, buyer 6s, seller 6s 1d; Mount Lyell, buyer 72s, seller 75s; Briseis Tin Mines, buyer 16s 3d, seller 17s 3d; Mount Bischoff, buyer £35 5s, seller £35 12s 6d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Business in mining shares on the Stock Exchange to-day was as follows:—B.H. Block 10, 36s 6d; South Broken Hill, contributing, 18s, 18s 6d; ditto, paid, 26s; North Broken Hill, 12s 3d; Mount Lyell, 74s, 73s; Mount Lyell Blocks, 1s 6d; North Mount Lyell, 26s 6d, 26s 3d; Tasman and Crown Extended, contributing, 1s 1d; ditto, paid, 1s 6d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s, 2s 0½d; Mount Garnet Freehold, 10s, 9s 9d; Briseis Tin Mines, 16s 7½d; Queen Margaret, 4s 3½d; Glenfine Consols, 7s 1d; Glenfine South, 21s 6d, 20s; Long Tunnel, 17s; Long Tunnel Extended, £13 15s; Long Tunnel North, 13s 9d, 16s; New Loch Fyne, 27s 6d; South German, 18s; All Nations, 1s 3d, 1s 6d; Amalgamated Scots and Perthshire, 2s 3d, 2s 1d, 2s 2d; Birthday, 18s; Casula, 23s; Cathcart Proprietary, 1s 10d; Clarence, 51s 6d, 51s; Duke of Wellington, 7d, 10½d; Egerton, 1s 11d, 1s 10d; Great Eldorado, 9d, 8d; Hustler's Reef, 7s 10½d, 7s 9½d, 8s 1½d; Hustler's Reef No. 1, 9s 6d; Imperial Queen, 1s 6d, 11d, 1s, 10½d; Maude and Homeward Bound, 7s 6d; M'Intyre, 2s 8d, 2s 4d, 2s 5d; New Chum Railway, 1s 10d, 1s 7d; New Dempsey, 18s; Quartz Hill, 10s 9d, 10s; Sebastopol Plateau No. 1, 20s, 18s, 18s 6d; Sir John Franklin, contributing, 7s 3d, 7s 7d, 7s, 7s 3d; ditto, paid, 7s 6d, 7s; Sons of Freedom No. 2, 6d; South Star, 10d, 9d; Spring Hill Leads, 28s 6d, 29s, 27s 6d.

NORTH MOUNT LYELL COMPANY.

QUEENSTOWN (TAS), Thursday.

There is no definite information obtainable yet as to the renewal or otherwise of the North Lyell Company's ore contract with the Mount Lyell Company. The directors are unwilling to say anything on the point at present.

GOLD YIELDS.

Lake View Consols (W.A.) for April crushed 6192 tons for 6277oz. of gold.

NEWCASTLE.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The following vessels left the port to-day.—Commandant Marchant, barque, for San Francisco, with 2021 tons of East Greta coal; Lord Cairns, ship, for San Francisco, with 2021 tons of Northern Extended coal; Catherina Accama, ship, for Valparaiso, with 2020 tons of Waratah coal; Glaucus, steamer, for Melbourne, with 1820 tons of coal; Kamona, steamer, for Devonport, via Kembla, with 350 tons of coal; Albany, steamer, for Queensland ports, via Sydney, with 500 tons of coal; Dongola, steamer, for Natal, with 1800 tons of coal; and the steamer Moira, for Brisbane, via Sydney, with 800 tons of coal.

CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES.

WANT OF A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL.

ESTABLISHMENT OF ABATTOIRS.

ADOPTION OF A FINANCIAL SCHEME.

A conference of the city and surrounding municipalities was held to-night at the Town Hall, the Mayor of Newcastle (Alderman Cann) presiding, for the purpose of considering the question of the establishment of a Public High school for the district and a site for the same; also the question of public abattoirs for Newcastle and district. The Mayor, in opening the conference, said that it was extraordinary that an important centre like Newcastle had no High school. There were 12 municipalities within a radius of 10 miles, yet the nearest High school was at Maitland.

Alderman Miller (Waratah) moved,—"That this meeting affirms the desirableness of the establishment of a Public High school in Newcastle for boys and girls." He said that there was no comparison so far as population was concerned between the Maitland and Newcastle districts. At present parents in the latter who wished to educate their children at a High school had either to send them daily by train or pay for their maintenance in Maitland. The motion was seconded by Alderman O. G. Steele and carried unanimously.

Various sites were proposed and suggested, including the vicinity of the A.A. Company's shaft at Hamilton. Eventually it was agreed, on the motion of Alderman Miller,—"That a committee be appointed consisting of the Mayor of each of the municipalities represented, together with the mover and Dr. Dick, to inspect the most suitable sites and make a recommendation."

The question of the establishment of public abattoirs was then discussed. The Mayor stated that the last conference on the subject was held in July, 1900, but even before that he understood that the site had been finally selected at Ironbark Hill. The last conference stopped at the question of finance, and he thought that it would be convenient to resume consideration at that point.

Alderman Moroney, as a prime mover in the matter, detailed the history of the question, and said that as the site had already been fixed it remained for the financial aspect to be considered.

Alderman Creer (Waratah) moved,—"That this conference commits itself to the site chosen by the previous conference, and approved by the president of the Board of Health." He pointed out that two years ago Sir William Lyne, when State Premier, had promised to introduce an enabling bill, but this had not been done. The motion was agreed to.

Alderman Langwill (Waratah) said that he thought that it would be possible to successfully finance a scheme. The great difficulty, however, was the question of the security necessary to obtain a loan. He suggested that legislation should be given to a district to enable it to establish the abattoirs, and power to levy a special rate as security for the repayment of a loan. For instance, a penny in the pound in the Newcastle district would be about £1333 per annum, and that should be sufficient security for a loan of £10,000, the estimated cost of the abattoirs. But if the abattoirs were managed properly there would be no necessity for the imposition of the levy. However, the power to levy the rates was necessary to obtain a loan. Taking Dr. Ashburton Thompson's figures he estimated the cost of the abattoirs at £10,000, and maintenance at £2280 per annum. According to the amount of stock slaughtered in the district he found that to meet the cost of maintenance they would have to charge double the fees collected at Glebe Island. The establishment of sale yards in conjunction with the abattoirs would also be found profitable.

Dr. Dick, health officer, pointed out that under the existing Acts power was given to municipalities to erect abattoirs, but unfortunately there was nothing stated as to the way in which money could be raised. Even under the proposed new Municipalities Act abattoirs were not included, although the matter of cattle saleyards was dealt with. Broken Hill municipality had engineered a private bill through Parliament enabling it to erect abattoirs, but that municipality was in the fortunate financial position at the time of being able to obtain a loan for the purpose. He thought, however, that the security of the abattoirs and the absolute right to supply meat to the whole community of the district should be sufficient security. If a municipality obtained a loan from the Government the Board of Health would have the management for a certain period, and it would of necessity make the abattoirs pay by collecting adequate charges. He instanced the fact of the Board of Health taking over the Glebe Island Abattoirs and making them pay handsomely. If they could not get a loan from the Government, would it be possible to get an Act through Parliament to enable the council to borrow, and would the Government guarantee the loan? (Hear, hear.) It was proposed to remove the Glebe Island Abattoirs to Homebush Bay at a cost of about £150,000, and to have them under the management of the Sydney Municipal Council, as they should be. He was waiting to see how the Sydney Council was going to get the money. If it could get that amount surely Newcastle could get £10,000.

In the discussion following it was generally agreed that it would be no use approaching the Government in the matter, as attempts of previous conferences in that direction had been abortive.

Alderman Langwill moved,—"That in the opinion of this conference the best means of financing a scheme would be by a mortgage over buildings and land and the establishing of the power to levy a special rate not exceeding 1d in the £ over rateable property in municipalities and police areas in the Newcastle district, and that the necessary legislative powers be obtained by a special bill." He said that he wished it to be distinctly understood that the power to levy a special rate was only a supplementary security.

The motion was seconded by Alderman D. Miller (Newcastle), and after being cordially supported was carried with only two dissentients.

Alderman Moroney (Newcastle) moved,—"That pending further action the resolution be reported to the councils at their next meetings, after which the conference be again convened to hear the result."

The conference then adjourned.

Ten members of the Newcastle School of Arts Chess Club played a series of games last evening with the West Maitland Club, the scores being:—Newcastle, 8½; West Maitland, 1½.

First-class Constable Newing, who has been stationed in Newcastle for over seven years, has received an appointment to an important position in the Fiji police force.

At the Licensing Court to-day the transfer of the license held for the Baden Powell Hotel at Newcastle, from Elizabeth Kerney to Thomas Martin Kerney, her husband, was granted.

CASUALTIES.

FATAL TRAM ACCIDENT.

A Chinaman named Gan Chong, who was knocked down by a tram in George-street on Saturday, died at Sydney Hospital yesterday morning. An inquest will be held to-day.

FALL FROM A BALCONY.

A child named Lewis Sattler, 10 months, living with its parents at Little Essex-street, fell from a balcony to the ground, a distance of about 10ft., yesterday morning. The baby was removed to Sydney Hospital, where it was admitted suffering from a depressed fracture of the skull.

DEATH AT FLEMINGTON.

An inquiry into the cause of death of a woman named Ann Fuller was held at the Concord Police Station yesterday by Mr. Bowden, acting coroner for Parramatta. Deceased was found dead in East-bourne-street on Wednesday afternoon, not far from her residence. Medical testimony was to the effect that the death resulted from natural causes, and a verdict in accordance was entered.

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THE NEWCASTLE WHARF-LABOURERS' DISPUTE.

CASE FOR THE ARBITRATION COURT.

The Newcastle Wharf Labourers' Union and the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company, Limited, have each prepared for submission to the Arbitration Court a statement of their claims in reference to the dispute existing between the parties in regard to conditions of labour and wages to be paid.

CLAIMS OF THE MEN.

The following are the claims of the employees:—

That the Newcastle and Hunter River Steamship Company, Limited, employ only union labour; that is, members of the Newcastle Wharf Labourers' Industrial Union of Employees.

That the said company withdraw the men not being members of the said union employed by them in Newcastle and Morpeth.

That the hours and wages and conditions of labour of the members of the union employed by the said company in respect of the Newcastle trade be as set out in the working laws 1 to 3 inclusive contained in the rules of the said union registered under the Industrial Arbitration Act.

ANSWER BY THE EMPLOYERS.

The Hunter River Company, which is in the position of a respondent, has made answer to the claims of the men as follows:—

1. The respondent disputes item one of the claimant's claim, and claims the right of freedom of contract.
2. The respondent disputes item two of the claimant's claim for the same reason.
3. The respondent disputes item three of the claimant's claim, and claims the right of freedom of contract, and as applied to this case liberty to employ constant labour at weekly wages and on the terms as follows:—

TERMS OF CONSTANT EMPLOYMENT AT WEEKLY WAGES.

Wages.—£2 8s for 60 hours' work per week, and an additional 1s per hour between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., and 1s 6d per hour between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. for every hour worked during the week after the completion of the 60 hours.

Holidays.—The following will be recognised holidays, viz., Christmas Day and Good Friday; and the wages when working will be 1s 6d per hour in addition to the weekly wage.

Meal Hours.—The hours allotted for meals will be as follows, viz., breakfast, 8 to 9 a.m.; dinner, noon to 1 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. (as circumstances may warrant); tea, 6 to 7 p.m.; supper, midnight to 1 a.m. When meal hours are worked during the day after 60 hours' work has been performed during the week they will be paid at the rate of 1s 6d per hour.

ASCENSION DAY SERVICES.

Yesterday being Ascension Day, special religious services were held in the principal Anglican churches in the city and suburbs. In most instances the congregations were large.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral there was an early celebration of Holy Communion at 8 a.m., followed by morning prayer, and second celebration at 11 a.m. and noon. The Rev. Canon F. B. Boyce was the preacher. In the afternoon at choral evensong the attendance was large. The Precentor (the Rev. P. J. Simpson) delivered an address. Ascensiontide hymns were sung. The "Magnificat" was sung to Stanford's setting in B flat, and the "Nunc Dimittis" to a chant by Sir G. Martin.

Early celebration of the Holy Communion was celebrated at St. James' Church yesterday morning. Other celebrations took place at 8 and 10.30 a.m. In the evening choral evensong was sung. The Rev. Canon Garland conducted the service and read the lessons and prayers. The Rev. S. Marston, M.A., was the preacher. Special Ascensiontide music was rendered under the direction of Mr. Arthur Mason, who presided at the organ.

At Christ Church, St. Laurence, Holy Communion was celebrated at 7 a.m., followed by matins, Choral Eucharist and sermon at 10 a.m., and in the evening there was evensong with sermon, followed by the procession. Special music was rendered throughout the day.

There was an early celebration of the Holy Communion at St. Thomas' Church, North Sydney, yesterday. In the evening the choir was assisted by a full orchestra, and the special music was taken from Gounod's oratorio, "Redemption." The principals were:—Miss Mills (soprano), Miss Callow (contralto), Mr. J. Jackson (tenor), and Mr. T. Dudgeon (bass). The Rev. S. Childe delivered an appropriate address. The music was under the direction of Mr. E. J. Massey, who presided at the organ.

A special musical service was held in St. Barnabas' Church, George-street West, last evening. The rector, the Rev. W. A. Charlton, presided, and delivered an address bearing on the special object of the gathering. A musical programme was carried out by the choir under the direction of the organist of the church, Mr. Arthur Massey. The items included, as an opening voluntary, the "Unfold" chorus from Gounod's "Redemption." The choir sang, as an anthem, "Lift Up Your Heads" (Hopkins), and as a closing chorus Handel's "Hallelujah." At the offertory Mr. W. T. Colyer sang the solo, "Honour and Arms." The organist played as a closing voluntary, "Lift Up Your Heads" (Handel).

SHIPPING REPORTS.

(Continued from page 6.)

Custom-house.—Entered outward: May 8, Waipori, s., Captain A. H. Rutter, for Devonport, via Newcastle; Aberystwith Castle, barque, Captain F. F. Nilsson, for [illegible] Bay, via Newcastle; [illegible], s., Captain B. C. Lewis, for Liverpool, via ports; Ville de la Ciotat, F.M.S., Captain A. Fiaschi, for Marseilles, via Melbourne and ports; Himalaya, R.M.S., Captain W. L. Broun, for London, via ports; Albany, s., Captain H. Bressenden, for Queensland ports; Allinga, s., Captain Karl A. Berg, for Melbourne, Adelaide, Captain D. P. Davies, for Brisbane.

The Union liner Waipori arrived from Devonport yesterday. She left at 8.20 p.m. on Monday, passed Deal Island at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Gabo at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Green Cape at [illegible] a.m. same date, and Montague at 4.35 p.m. Experienced moderate N.E. and N.W. winds and calm sea throughout.

The steamer Adelaide cleared Port Phillip Heads at 7.30 p.m. on the 6th instant, passed Wilson's Promontory at 4 a.m. on the 7th, rounded Gabo at 7.25 p.m. Montague Island was abeam at 1.55 a.m. yesterday, and she entered Sydney Heads at 3 p.m. Captain Davies reports that moderate variable winds, fine weather, and smooth sea were experienced throughout.

The White Star liner Persic is due to-day, and will berth at the west side of Circular Quay on arrival.

Dockings yesterday included the German steamer Oceana, which was taken into Mort's Dock for cleaning and painting.

The steamer Indralema, from London, will on arrival berth at Moore's Wharf.

Captain G. F. Entwistle, of the steamer Tambo, reports having left Hobart at 11.40 p.m. on the 5th, passed Gabo at 7.30 p.m. on the 7th, and arrived at Sydney at 9 last evening. Experienced fresh N. winds and fine weather to Eddystone, moderate N.W. and N. winds across the straits, and moderate W. and S.W. winds and fine the remainder of the passage.

The La Belle, schooner, left Kaipara on April 21, had fine weather till the 27th, and then experienced terrific S.W. gales from Sunday last to Tuesday morning. During these gales the La Belle was driven from Sydney Heads east 150 miles, down as far as the Clarence River Heads. Since then favourable winds to arrival.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Australia arrived at Colombo on the 7th instant, homewards.

The R.M.S. Oruba sailed from Melbourne yesterday for Sydney.

The G.M.S. Weimar arrived at Adelaide from Melbourne yesterday.

The R.M.S. Rome left Adelaide yesterday for London.

BAR HARBOURS.

The following reports were yesterday received as to the bars along the coast:—

Ballina.—15ft. on the bar at high water.

Manning Heads.—11ft. on the bar, 7ft. 3in on the crossing.

THE UNION LINERS.

The Waihora arrived at Wellington on Thursday.

The Talune will leave Wellington to-morrow afternoon for Sydney.

The Wa kare is due to-day from Auckland.

The Whangape left Bluff on Monday for Devonport where she loads produce for Sydney.

SAILING OF THE DAMASCUS.

The following passengers have been booked by the steamer Damascus sailing at noon to-day for Natal, Capetown, and London, via Melbourne:—Mr. H. Alexander, Mr. G. M. Matthews, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Helen White, Master Owen Wynne, Miss Dulcie Wynne, Mrs Alice Doyne, Mr. W. M. Davidson, Mrs. Davidson and infant, Mr. M. Rosenweig, Mr. R. Blakemore, Mr. Harvey, Mrs. Westwood, Mrs. E. E. Knight, Mr. H. Garrad, Mr. H. A. Brigg, Mrs. Brigg, Miss Brigg, Miss Rose Brigg, Miss Edith Brigg, Miss Hermine Brigg, Miss A. V. Martin, and 60 in the third-class.

CARGO OF THE DAMASCUS.

The following are the principal lines of cargo by the Damascus, sailing to-day:—1200 bales wool, 239 casks tallow, 4400 bars bullion, 273 cakes 25 tons copper, [illegible] bags copper ore, 1442 ingots tin, 391 pieces timber, 425 pieces sandalwood, 1100 cases meats, 23 packages machinery, 30 cases tinned butter, 75 bales furskins, 15 crates mantelpieces, 80 bales leather, 250 cases salmon, 3228 cases canned goods, 8800 carcases mutton, 750 quarters beef, 423 carcases pork, 200 cases concentrated milk, 1250 boxes butter, 900 crates frozen poultry, &c.

THE HEATHCRAIG.

The steamer Heathcraig, at present at Melbourne, had an uneventful voyage from New York. She was just 60 days on the passage, and the only stoppage which occurred was at St. Vincent, to replenish bunkers. From that port to Melbourne—10,000 miles approximately—the Heathcraig steamed without a break. She experienced normal weather, and entered port in splendid order. After discharging at Melbourne the Heathcraig comes on to Sydney, she having a large general cargo for this port.

SHIPPING SALES.

Two sailing vessels well known in Australia are reported to have been sold recently in San Francisco. They are the ship Star of France and the barque Himalaya, both iron vessels, and formerly owned by J. J. Moore and Co. The Star of France is regarded as one of the fastest sailers afloat. She and the Himalaya are under charter to carry cargoes to Bristol Bay, Alaska, the charterers going with vessels at the sale. The Star of France brought 30,000dol., the purchasers being Pope and Talbot. The price realised by the barque was 18,000dol., the buyers being Eschen and Minor.

UNIFORM FREIGHTS FROM NEW YORK TO AUSTRALIA.

News has been received that the Tyser Line, Limited, the American and Australian S.S. Line, and the U.S. and Australasia S.S. Company have agreed upon uniform rates of freight by steamers for shipment to Australasia. General cargo rates are now quoted at 35s for Melbourne and Sydney, 40s for Adelaide and New Zealand ports, and 42s 6d for Brisbane. It is also stated that the Standard Oil Company will probably load general cargo in conjunction with case oil for Australian ports, and they have commenced with the steel ship Glendurn, 1981 tons, to sail for Sydney on the 15th instant. They are carrying general cargo at 20s and 5 per cent.; dense weight, 15s and 5 per cent. Whether this will be continued to other ports is not certain, but it is believed that they will continue to carry general merchandise on some of their vessels off and on.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

There was an absence of buoyancy in the Stock and Share market to-day, the general tone in fact being easier. Government securities remained as last quoted. Bank of New South Wales further receded ¼, selling at 43¾, and Union of Australia declined ½. Australian Joint Stock Bank "B" deposits advanced 1½d. Steam Insurance and Gaslight and Breweries were unaltered. Colonial Sugar receded ½, Sydney Hydraulic 6d, Emu Gravel selling at the reduced price of 10s 6d. Mont de Piete were offered at 31s. For Holt-Sutherland Estate 5s was offered.

The following sales were reported on the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day:—Forenoon: Aarons's Exchange Hotel, 3s 3d. Noon: Union Bank of Australia, 40½; Sydney and Suburban Hydraulic, paid, 37s 6d; Permanent Trustee, 2s 1d. Later: Bank of New South Wales, 43¾; Colonial Sugar, 37½. Afternoon: Sydney and Suburban Hydraulic (10s paid), 18s 6d. Later: Emu Gravel and Road Metal, 10s 6d. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	*Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£	p.c.				p.c.
F. STOCKS&c.								
N.S.W. F. S., 1929	548,350	...	...	4	108	102	103	4
Do. Act. 1873	530,189	...	...	4	104½	...	107	3¾
Do. ...	...	...	...	3½	...	...	...	...
Do. 3 p.c.	...	...	...	3	91	90	92	4¼
Do. 3½ p.c.	...	...	...	...	99½	98½	...	...
Do. 4 p.c. 1908	...	...	...	...	...	...	104	...
Do. 5 p.c. 1902	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do., 1924-25	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
Do. T. Bills	1,600,000	...	...	3½	99½	98½	...	5¾
Do., T. Bills, 1906	...	...	...	5½	99	...	...	...
Do. Deb. 1902	380,300	...	...	5	100½	...	...	...
Do. Deb. 1901	...	...	...	...	100	...	...	...
Q.D., 1913	...	...	...	4	101	...	...	3¾
Ditto 3½ p.c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
N.Z. D., 1918	300,000	...	...	4	107½	...	...	3¾
Ditto, 1914	...	...	...	...	102	...	...	...
Col. Sugar—D., 1914—	...	...	...	5	111	107½	...	...
City of Sydney 4 p.c., 1926	...	...	...	...	102½	101	105	3¾
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,168,041	10	7½	...	...	...	...	...
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	10	...	...	...	...
City	240,000	10	8	4	91/	88/	94/	7
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	98/	...	89/	7¼
Commercial of Australia fully paid	1,192,440	6	6	...	5/4	4/	5/	...
Ditto pref.	2,117,070	10	10	3	6	26	5 1/	...
Commerc. of Sydney	1,000,000	25	12½	10	29¾	29¼	29½	4¼
N. of Aus.	1,[illegible]	8	5½	3½	71/	...	...	...
Ditto, pref.	345,780	10	10	5	...	...	...	4¾
N. S. Wales	2,000,000	20	20	10	43¾	43¼	43¾	4¼
New Zealand	500,000	...	...	...	+47/	55	60	...
N. Q'nsland	100,000	7	2	9½	13/	...	14	7¼
Q'land Nat.	412,841	...	...	...	53/	...	52	...
Royal of Q.	388,650	9	5½	...	...	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	8	40½	40½	40¾	5
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk.—Class A	...	...	...	3	12/10	12 9	13/	4¾
Class B	...	...	...	3	12 9	12 10½	13 3	4¾
Ditto Insc.	785,033	...	...	3½	9 3	9 3	...	7¼
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	845,492	...	...	3½	19 3	18/	...	3¾
Ditto assets	3,400,000	...	...	3	13 6	13/	...	4¼
E.S.A. Insc. pref.	880,418	...	...	3	13	12 6	13/	4¾
Ditto def.	819,293	...	...	4½	17/	16 9	...	5½
Ditto Deb.	985,547	...	...	4	17 6	17/	18/	4¾
Ditto Ter.	195,779	...	...	4	20 3	19 6	...	4
Q. National	...	...	...	3½	11 9	11/6	12 6	5¼
STEAM.								
Balmain N. Ferry	16,470	1	1	10	...	30/	33/	6¾
Illawarra	58,086	5	3½	8½	5½	5¾	5¾	5¼
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	6	18 3	18 3	18 6	6¼
North Coast	131,250	1	17 6	8	24 3	...	24	6¾
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	7	36/	35 6	37	4¼
P. Jackson	25,000	20	25	5	26/	...	21	...
Ditto, Co-op	8,745	...	1	2½	17/	...	...	...
Bow. Smith, ordinary	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto ord.	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto Pref.	...	...	20	...	...	...	21	...
Ditto Pref.	...	...	5	...	...	...	5/	...
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	30,000	1	10	16½	36/	30	34/	4¾
Mer. Mut.	30,000	1	4	12½	12 1½	12	12 6	5¾
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	13½	...	...	...	...
N. Q'land	50,000	1	10	8	...	...	...	...
Ditto	3,500	1	5	8	...	...	...	...
United	62,500	10	2½	10	72 6	...	75/	6¾
Ditto new	3,725	10	12 6	10	15	15 6	16 6	8
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	18/	19/	...	...
Australian	681,798	6	6	9	17½	17¾	17½	5¼
New Issue, fully paid	...	...	...	...	15¾	17½	...	...
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	1	14 9	...	15/	...
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	1	40	48	...	6
Grafton	8,000	1	1	...	26	25	...	6¾
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	22 6	22 6	...	5¼
Ditto New	5,000	1	10	7	12 6	...	...	5¾
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	17/	17/	...	8
Newcastle	25,120	2	2	15	6¾	6¾	...	4¾
Ditto	...	...	5	...	14 6	30	...	4¼
North Sh.	100,000	1	1	7	31 6	31	...	4¼
Ditto New	...	...	10	7	...	17 6	18 6	...
Maitland Gas	15,500	5	5	...	...	6	...	...
Sth. Brisbane	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...
BREW'RIES.								
Albury	10,500	...	10	5	...	...	...	...
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Australian	40,000	10	10	...	4 2	3 6	5/	...
C. and Wood Bros.'	250,000	1	1	4	8 9	8 6	10/	8
Marshall's	29,701	10	5	6	3 3	3 3	3 8	8¼
Perkins'	58,988	15	15	17½	37/	...	...	7¼
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	29/	28 6	29/	5¼
MISCELL'N'S.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10	5	3 3	3 1	3 6	16¾
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	5	15/	...	12 6	6¾
B. H. Water Supply	188,500	1	1	10	20 2	...	...	...
Burns, Philp	275,000	1	1	8	34	32/	35	4¾
New Issue	...	1	5/	8	4 4	8 3	...	4¼
Col. Sugar	1,872,200	20	20	10	37¾	37¼	38	5¼
D'gety & Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	5¼	...	...	8
DunlopP. Tyre	...	...	...	...	...	12	19	...
Emu B. Rail	100,000	1	1	...	5/6	...	1 6	...
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	5	10 6	10	11/	...
Malt Co., cont	...	...	...	...	13	...	14	...
Mel. Trams	80,000	1	10	10	21 6	17/	18 6	...
M. de Piete	74,144	1	1	8	31/	30 6	31	5¼
Mort's Dk.	150,000	1	1	5	17/	...	...	...
Ditto Pref.	45,301	1	1	6	...	15/	19	...
F. Ford. Ice	165,114	1	1s	...	7/	...	8/6	...
Shale and Oil	25,000	1	15	...	2 6	2	2 9	...
New York and B. Tob.	13,000	1	1	10	22 6	23	24	8¾
Perm. Trust	25,000	5	2 6	6	2 1	2	2 2	7¼
Perm. Trus.	25,000	10	5	8	9 4½	...	9	4¼
Richardson & Wrench	40,000	1	1	5	14 6	13 6	14	7¼
Sil. Tram	107,800	1	1	30	65/	50	59	...
Syd. Exc.	20,000	10	10	7	15½	...	...	4¾
Syd. Hyd.	78,000	1	1	10	37 6	37	38 6	5¼
Ditto	37,500	1	10/	10	18 6	18	19/	5¼
Val. Land Ord.	...	...	...	...	10/	...	...	...
LAND & BD.								
A. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	44	...	...	...
Excels. Dep.	...	...	...	...	7 3	...	...	...
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...
Haymark. D.	...	...	13	3	12 6	...	...	...
Ditto Shares	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	...
Ind. Prov.	80,000	20	20	6	...	20	...	7¾
Interml. Inv.	33,850	1	15	7	18	...	...	6¾
Sr. Fw. Land	...	...	...	...	3 9	...	...	...
Syd. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	8/	7	8	...
Newc'stle Bd	...	...	...	...	15/	...	...	...
Metro B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holt-Sutherland Estate	...	...	...	...	...	5/	...	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one. + Auckland Register.

The shipments of gold from Sydney for the week ended May 3 amounted to £117,386. Since January 1 the exports have been as follow:—

For	1901.	1902.
London	£415,017	£440,130
Continent of Europe	215	140
China	71,042	71,442
India	50,000	—
Australasia	14,053	10,000
Polynesia	80	8,122
	£550,407	£529,834

The imports of gold, amounting to £699,802, exceed the exports, amounting to £529,834, by the sum of £169,968. From Melbourne, Fremantle, and Sydney the shipments to date amount to about £3,850,000, as against £4,987,000 in the corresponding period of last year.

The Kumano Maru sailed for Japan, via ports, to-day, with gold valued at £11,301, shipped by Chinese for Hongkong.

The annual report of the Atlas Assurance Company, Limited, shows net fire premiums for 1901, £461,963. Losses absorbed £280,550. The surplus was £44,289, of which £28,800 was devoted to payment of a dividend at the rate of 24 per cent. on the original paid-up capital; £15,000 was added to the fire fund, and £489 to reserve.

In the United States and in the United Kingdom the growth of savings is becoming so considerable as to increase the difficulty of their investment. In both those in control of the institutions have their action curtailed by legislative enactment, and no doubt very properly. The loss of savings to the poorer classes of the community would be a serious matter. In New York application is being made for power to extend the right of investment. Hitherto the managers of savings banks have had the privilege of investing in the bonds of railway companies within the State. The Krum bill proposes to give them power to invest in the bonds of a number of additional railroads. In the United Kingdom it might be supposed that relief would be given to the situation by the considerable addition to the debt during the last year or two. There, however, the difficulty arises from the fall in the interest rate. Next year the interest on Consols falls automatically to 2½ per cent. If it was impossible to pay 2¾ per cent. to depositors from their investments in Consols yielding 2¾ per cent., the deficiency having to be made up out of the public revenue, obviously the situation must become more serious when the rate is reduced ¼ per cent. The whole question has been remitted for the consideration and report of a select committee. Different suggestions are made as to the wisest course to be pursued. Some think that the rate should be reduced all round; others that the rate should only be reduced on the larger deposits. Yet others, again, would find relief in extending the powers of investment to securities that yield a higher rate of interest. Probably the last would be the better course. The value of the stocks of British railways, British boroughs and colonies is well worth considering. If the poorer sections of the British community were more fully identified with the capital say of the railways, additional security would be given for the payment of the interest.

A few days back we gave the official aggregate imports and exports of merchandise and gold into and from New South Wales for the year 1901, in comparison with the figures of some previous years. Elsewhere appear details of the direction of this trade. As subdivided the returns are as follows, those for 1900 also being given:—

—	IMPORTS. 1900.	1901.	EXPORTS. 1900.	1901.
	£	£	£	£
Australasia	11,512,685	10,321,385	10,805,876	10,046,908
United Kingdom	9,923,117	10,109,941	8,273,272	7,447,963
Other British possessions	1,005,051	1,057,419	1,488,235	1,923,082
Total British	22,440,933	21,461,685	20,567,383	19,417,848
Other countries	5,120,188	5,446,563	7,597,133	7,733,276
Total	27,561,057	26,928,218	28,164,516	27,351,124

The Australasian trade shows smaller figures of both imports and exports. The imports from the United Kingdom show a decrease but the exports thereto were less in amount. The State imported goods to the value of £52,000 more from other British possessions. The increase from New Guinea was £38,000; from the Straits Settlements, £35,000; from Canada, £29,000. The feature of the export trade with British possessions was the large increase of £345,000 to Cape Colony. With foreign countries there was a larger trade. From the United States an increase in the imports of £246,000 is apparent, and from Germany one of £101,000. On the other hand there were increases of £473,000, £459,000, and £478,000 in values of exports to Belgium, Germany, and France respectively, largely, however, wholly it may be said, to shipments of wool deferred from the end of 1900 to the beginning of 1901, in consequence of the anomalous state of the market. The Melbourne "Argus" gives the figures of the trade of Victoria and other States, and these compared with the returns of the previous year are as follow:—

IMPORTS.

	1900.	1901.
New South Wales	£27,561,071	£26,928,218
Victoria	18,301,811	18,280,040
South Australia	8,034,351	7,871,588
Queensland	7,080,673	6,970,706
Western Australia	5,962,178	6,454,171
Tasmania	2,073,656	1,969,577
Commonwealth	£69,013,940	£67,674,300
New Zealand	10,046,096	11,817,915
	£79,060,036	£79,492,215

EXPORTS.

	1900.	1901.
New South Wales	£28,164,516	£27,351,124
Victoria	17,422,532	18,646,096
South Australia	8,029,157	8,010,934
Queensland	9,067,975	8,611,044
Western Australia	6,852,054	8,515,623
Tasmania	2,610,617	2,916,656
Commonwealth	£72,146,871	£74,051,477
New Zealand	13,246,161	12,881,424
Australasia	£85,393,032	£86,932,901

Read superficially these figures may convey wrong impressions owing to their inclusion of inter-state trade, and particularly the movement of bullion. For instance, the exports of New South Wales appear smaller, though of the produce of this State there was a considerable increase—an increase in fact of nearly £2,000,000. Similarly the imports for domestic consumption in this State showed an increase of £2000 instead of a decrease. The preponderance of the foreign trade of New South Wales is a striking feature of the return.

In the month of April the foreign trade of the United Kingdom showed smaller figures, in value—no doubt partly, if not wholly, the result of lower prices. The imports aggregated £46,327,203, a decrease of £65,689. The exports, amounting to £20,481,537, showed a decrease of £1,505,496. For the first four months the figures were as follows:—

Mth.	Total Imports.	Increase or Decrease.	Exports of U. K'gdom Produce.	Increase or Decrease.
	£	£	£	£
Jan.	50,131,348	Inc. 4,143,892	24,254,574	Dec. 498,057
Feb.	41,691,292	Inc. 1,977,153	21,312,276	Inc. 274,821
Mar.	40,807,865	Dec. 5,528,185	22,217,238	Dec. 2,894,055
April	46,327,203	Dec. 65,689	20,481,537	Dec. 1,505,496
Total	178,048,004	Inc. 527,101	88,265,625	Dec. 4,533,687

The imports showed a decrease for the four months of 2·9 per cent., the exports one of 4·8 per cent.

The following is the Customs return of the exports of wool from New South Wales for the period from July 1 to April 30 (10 months):—

From	Destination.	Seasons. 1900-1901.	1901-1902.
		Bales.	Bales.
By Sea—Sydney and Newcastle	United Kingdom and Foreign Ports	545,451	610,641
Sydney and Newcastle	Victoria	22,831	23,545
Sydney	Other States and New Zealand	78	186
	Total by Sea	568,360	634,372
Borderwise	Victoria	117,729	118,298
	South Australia	27,610	22,760
	Queensland	263	—
	Total Borderwise	145,601	141,058
Total exported from the State		713,961	775,380
Less imported from Queensland, &c.		34,754	31,766
Net Production of New South Wales		679,207	743,614

Increase 64,407 bales.

The following is a return of the quantity and value of metals and minerals the produce of the State of South Australia exported during 1901:—

South Australia.—Copper, 185,393cwt., £466,606; lead, £722; copper ore, 1996 3-20 tons, £23,011; silver lead, 1410 tons, £11,357; manganese, 132 tons, £330; gold, 4918oz., £16,613; tin, 2 11-20 tons, £86; unenumerated, £1755. Total, £522,478.

Northern Territory.—Gold, 22,572oz; £76,579; silver ore, 104 tons, £710; copper ore, 482 tons, £8460; tin ore, 80 tons, £5498; gold ore and concentrates, 2 tons, £30; wolfram, 5 tons, £175. Total, £91,452.

BREADSTUFFS.

Prices of wheat and flour continued firm to-day, but there was no reported business. Manitoba flour had a continued good demand. All stocks of this brand to arrive have been bought up to £12 5s for November and December delivery.

The War Office, London, has accepted an offer of Murrumbidgee Co-operative Milling Company's flour and Great Western Milling Company, Millthorpe. The total quantity ordered is 500 tons for shipment by transport.

The exports of wheat from the port of Sydney during the fortnight ended May 7 totalled 1035 bags, shipped as follows:—To Noumea, 1010 bags; to South Sea Islands, 3 bags; and to Queensland, 22 bags. The exports of flour during the same period were:—To Queensland, 7702 bags; to South Sea Islands, 81 bags; to Fiji, 310 bags; to Victoria, 59 bags; to New Zealand, 100 bags; to Port Darwin, 173 bags; to the United Kingdom, 1596 bags; to the United States, 20 bags; to Noumea, 2982 bags; to Norfolk Island, 81 bags; to Lord Howe Island, 33 bags. Up to date shipments have been:—

	Wheat. Bags.	*Flour. Bags.
United Kingdom	417,685	4,361
For orders	178,403	—
Germany	3,750	—
South Africa	39,209	3,710
Queensland	9,728	47,525
New Caledonia	4,085	10,715
Islands	22	3,844
Hongkong	—	490
Japan	96	250
Java	—	205
Victoria	107	289
New Zealand	2	330
Tasmania	336	28
South Australia	—	55
Western Australia	—	1,020
New Guinea	1	177
United States	—	20
Totals	653,500	72,800

* Half-bag, quarter-bag, and other packages have been converted into their equivalent in bags for comparative purposes.

Last year up to the same date 522,069 bags of wheat and 112,509 bags of flour had been exported from the port of Sydney.

IMPORT MARKET.

Business to-day was generally quiet. There was dealing in Ceylon teas at from 9½d to 12½d. At auction there was no demand for common Indian, but better classes of Indian went fairly well, whilst Ceylon broken showed some improvement. Indian fetched from 5½d to 10d, and Ceylons at from 6½d to 13d. D.R.J. candles, tartaric acid, and cream of tartar were firm, but without business. Bell's vestas (tins and plaids respectively) sold at agents' prices. A line of 100 cases of Libby's potted meats also changed hands. Confirmation was received of the advance in currants, for which there was brisk inquiry. Cable advices reported Japan rice much firmer. Five hundred boxes tinplates to arrive sold at 16s 9d. Ten tons No. 6 galvanised wire realised £10 10s. Private cables from Calcutta indicated a slight strengthening in prices of cornsacks and branbags.

Tea.—In Ceylon a parcel of 40 chests sold at 12½d, and 20 chests changed hands at from 9½d to 10d. The wholesale market was generally quiet.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. in the morning offered a catalogue of Ceylon and Indian teas at the City Mart, Spring-street. There was a good attendance. Common Indian teas did not meet with any demand. Better classes of Indian went fairly well, whilst Ceylon broken showed some improvement. One hundred and thirty-two packages of Indian teas, ex Darius, Euryalus, and Muttra, sold by order of Mr. R. T. Remington, fetched from 5½d to 10d per lb. A shipment of Ceylons sold by order of Messrs. Fraser, Ramsay, and Co., ex Himalaya, [illegible] from 6½d to 1s 1d per lb.

Groceries.—D. R. J. candles were firm without reported business, and generally groceries were slow of sale. Tartaric acid and cream of tartar were also firm. One hundred and fifty cases of Bell's vestas (tins) and 300 cases (plaids) sold at agents' prices. One hundred cases Libby's potted meats also changed hands. Tapioca had quotations from £17 10s to £19, according to brand.

Dried Fruits.—There was no activity in this market except in the matter of currants, for which there was brisk inquiry. Confirmation of the advance in price of currants was received during the day.

Eastern Produce.—There is nothing much to report in the way of business, but prices generally continued very firm. Cable advice has been received that Japan rice was much firmer. Other prices remained pretty well unaltered.

Metals.—The market for metals was quiet. Ten tons of No. 6 galvanised wire sold at £10 10s. 500 boxes tinplates, to arrive, changed hands at 16s 9d. "The speculative demand for tin (says 'The Ironmonger,' of March 22) has been disappointingly small, and tinplate-makers have operated with reduced freedom, the approach of the holidays doubtless exercising a quieting influence all round. At the middle of the month the warehouse stocks in London were 700 tons smaller than they were at the end of January, owing to shipments made from here t[illegible] merica. It is understood that a further 500 to[illegible], ex incoming steamers, are to be forwarded across the Atlantic this week. The market reacted sharply on Thursday, and prices advanced over 20s. The cause appeared to be the strength of the Eastern markets, which are said to be oversold. Shipments thence are said to be deferred into the first part of April, and this led to covering operations and purchases of many here."

Jute Goods.—Private cables from Calcutta indicate a slight strengthening in prices of cornsacks and branbags, which were also distinctly firm at the producing centre. The Calcutta millers were also very firm in their ideas with regard to woolpacks for the coming season.

Messrs. Schrager Brothers report for the week ending April 12:—

The position in our market continues in favour of sellers, prices all round have hardened, and goods for early delivery (in some cases up to June included) are very difficult to be had. The United Kingdom and Continent orders are coming in more freely at advanced limits for early months, and in cases where such goods are unobtainable buyers are accepting June-July delivery. The principal business done has been 3000 to 4000 bales Liverpool and 3l twills for May-June delivery. The Eastern markets have also shown more activity, whilst native speculators have been much encouraged by the local demand for grain exports. Buyers are willing to pay as much as 2½ per cent over their last buying ideas for July-December, but mills are not disposed to meet them, and prefer waiting for the chance of better rates. The hessian market is far from active, and buying orders are only in small lots, but here again, as the orders are for quick shipment and for goods other than standard weights, which are obtainable from speculators, buyers have to meet with disappointment, as mills are very well sold out. Woolpacks: Only a limited business has been done at the advance, although there are several inquiries. Cornsacks: Rates have advanced 2 per cent., and at this price a small parcel has been done from second hands, mills declining to accept the rate offered. We hear of t[illegible] or three important transactions. Bran bags: Good [illegible] April are quite unobtainable, whilst for May they a[illegible]. A fair amount of business has been do[illegible] for [illegible]ther delivery. We quote as follows:—Woolpa[illegible] as [illegible], 1s 5½d, May on; cornsacks, 44in., 4s 5d to 7s [illegible]e; Bran bags, 3s 5¼d, season; wheat pool [illegible] May-June; ore pockets, 20oz., 2s 1d, May-Jun[illegible]ket, 16oz., 1s 8½d, May-June. Castor oil [illegible]ay for the present, but is expected to firm up le[illegible] deliveries have to be taken this month. T[illegible] price is 1s 11½d per gallon, c.f.i.

The Cu[illegible] revenue received at Sydney to-day amounte[illegible] £9482. The principal items were:—

Spir[illegible], £3107; wine, £90; ale, porter, and beer, £394; tobac[illegible], cigars, and cigarettes, £661; opium, £82; dried and candied fruits, £150; confectionery, £17; butter and cheese, £380; cement, £23; fish, £36; glass, £23; milk, £37; oils, £93; onions, £43; rice, £54; spices, £41; timber, £421; wax, £45; harbour and light rates, £25; pilotage, £23; excise on spirits, £283; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £845; excise on beer, £232; at ad valorem rates, £2107.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Sales.—At Wednesday's auctions of Australian tallow at the Baltic Rooms the offerings were fairly large, with fair sales at a general advance in prices as follow:—Fine mutton 3d higher at 37s 9d, medium mutton at 32s 6d; fine beef 6d higher at 34s 6d, and medium beef 6d higher at 31s 6d per cwt. The quantities offered and sold and prices for medium qualities at late sales were:—

	Offered Casks.	Sold Casks.	Med. Mutton. Per cwt.	Med. Beef. Per cwt.
February 26	825	375	32s 6d	31s
March 5	950	425	32s 6d	31s
March 12	1100	475	32s 6d	31s
March 19	974	206	32s 6d	31s
March 26	501	177	32s 6d	31s
April 9	1500	300	32s 0d	30s
April 16	1875	1000	31s 6d	30s
April 23	1075	425	31s 6d	30s
April 30	1250	970	32s 6d	31s
May 6	1225	800	32s 6d	31s 6d

The following report of London cablegrams in regard to the London tallow market has been forwarded to us:—

By Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited:—"Have received the following cable from our London house under Wednesday's date:—Fair to good mutton tallow, demand brisk at 34s to 34s 6d per cwt.; beef tallow, demand brisk at 32s to 32s 6d per cwt."

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 166 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

The following reports of London cablegrams in regard to the London wool sales have been forwarded to us:—

By the Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company, Limited:—"The sales continue very animated, opening rates are fully maintained. Market is firm, with an upward tendency."

By Messrs. Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited:—"Prices show an advance of 7½ per cent. on merino, and 10 per cent. on crossbreds as compared with closing rates of last series."

By Dalgety and Co., Limited.—"Wool sales continue firm, and prices are rather higher."

By the Co-operative Wool and Produce Company, Limited:—"The sales continued very animated. Opening rates are fully maintained. The market is firm, with an upward tendency."

By the A. M. and A. Company, Limited:—"Sales opened with a good tone; attendance and competition good. Merino and crossbred fine market advanced 7½ per cent.; crossbred, coarse to medium, market advanced 5 to 10 per cent. Poor selection offering."

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, May 7.

THE TALLOW SALES.

At the periodical tallow sales to-day 1225 casks were offered and 800 casks were sold. Prices were as follows:—Fine mutton 37s 9d, medium mutton 32s 6d; fine beef 34s 6d, medium beef 31s 6d per cwt.

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted to-day ½d higher at 1s 11 13-16d per ounce standard.

May 8.

COPPER.

Copper on spot and at three months is quoted at 53¾.

TIN.

Tin on spot is quoted at 132½, and at three months 128¾.

WHEAT.

The shipment of wheat by the Peri sold at 30s 9d.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Queensland National Bank inscribed stock was quoted buyer 11s 7d, seller 12s 1d; Queensland Trustee, seller 6s 6d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Victoria 3 per cents. (1923-1932) sold at £94 5s and 3 per cents. stock at £98 5s; Metropolitan Board of Works 3½ per cents., £98 15s to £98 17s 6d; City of Melbourne 3½ per cents., £100; Victoria Bank, ordinary shares, 50s, and preference £10 10s to £10 15s; Metropolitan Gas, £8 9s; Victoria Fire Insurance, 34s; Melbourne tram, 17s 6d to 17s 8d; Federal Palace Hotel, 3s 6d; Mutual Store, 38s; Northcote Brick, 13s 10½d.

Wheat is quoted nominally at 4s 4d to 4s 4½d in town, but a large parcel sold in the country at relatively higher price. Flour is £9 10s to £10; bran, 1s 2d to 1s 2½d; pollard, 1s 4d; Algerian oats, 3s to 3s 3d; new maize, 3s 9d to 4s, according to condition; chaff, £3 10s to £3 17s 6d, extra choice green £4; potatoes, £5 10s to £5 12s 6d; onions, £7 15s to £8. Business in tea covers 260 packages Ceylon at 7½d to 9½d, 190 chests Indian at 5½d to 7d; 100 half-chests Kooloo. Currants are 4½d; shellac, 1s 4d; cornsacks, 4s 3d to 4s 4d, with a hardening tendency; branbags, 4s 9d. Fair business was done in No. 8 fencing wire; No. 10 sold up to £9 5s. Moderate business was done in wire netting.

PRODUCE INWARD.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The steamer Pilbarra sailed yesterday for Sydney with 100 bags malt, 25 cases fruit, and a small shipment of hops.

DAIRY NEWS.

LISMORE, Thursday.

A meeting of the executive of the Dairymen's District Union was held yesterday. Eleven delegates from Rous, Lismore, Pearce's Creek, Alstonville, Dunoon, and Goolmangar were present. A long discussion took place on the question of the acceptance or otherwise of the suggested proposal for grading by the Government of butter for export. While some delegates favoured the acceptance of the proposal, others strenuously opposed it, the main reason advanced being that it would be another means of adding to the burdens of dairymen. A decision was arrived at ultimately by a majority in effect to postpone the decision of the union.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Thursday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets were quiet in tone, but, nevertheless, a good deal of business was passing in most departments. Owing to the drought large parcels of produce are being bought for inland consumption. Supplies under offer were with one or two exceptions ample for all requirements. Straw chaff was easier, and the same may be said of onions. In other items movements in prices were few, and of little moment. The demand for maize was steady, while oats moved off moderately well. Chickwheat was scarce and dear. Peas and barley had attention at late rates. Pollard, if anything, was cheaper, a sale being effected at auction at 1s 3½d per bushel. Slightly over 400 bales of lucerne arrived from the Hunter River, the bulk of which was for transhipment. What little hay was for this market was quickly bought up at £7 5s per ton. Chaff was plentiful and in quiet request, the demand being principally confined to country orders. Straw chaff ruled easier on account of the heavy supplies forward by rail. Potatoes were easier, about £6 5s being the top price of best samples. Onions suffered a further decline without leading to an increase in the demand. In dairy produce a steady business was done in most lines. The butter market was in a decidedly unsatisfactory position, prices being merely nominal. Sales were effected on the basis of to-morrow's (Friday) price, which will probably be ½d lower. Concessions were again offering with large holders anxious to clear stocks, as they anticipate a reduction at any moment. Only 550 boxes of the recent shipment of butter from New Zealand have been transhipped to South Africa. The bulk of the consignments are to be sold locally on account of the unsatisfactory condition of the African markets. Eggs had good sale, while other lines moved off steadily.

Wholesale quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Good supply. Quiet sale. Hand-cured, 7½d to 8d, flitches 7½d; middles, 9½d; York Castle, mild-cured brands, sides 8½d, middles 9½d; Eclipse sides, 8½d; Pineapples, middles 8½d, flitches 7½d; Claremzo sides, 8d; Bodalla, sides 8½d, flitches 8d, and middles 9d. Hams: Local hams, choice, in cloth, 9½d; New Zealand, 9½d to 10d; Pineapples, 11d; York Castle, 11d; Eclipse, 10½d; Bodalla, 10½d per lb.

Eggs.—Market steady. Local: Northern eggs, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; South, 1s 6d; cold storage eggs, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; Adelaide, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; suburban new-laid, hen eggs 1s 10d to 1s 11d; ducks, 1s 8d to 1s 9d; China eggs, 1s 3d per dozen.

Butter.—Market dull. Supplies plentiful. Prices remain nominal. Pasteurised quoted at 1s 5d; special choice brands of butter, 1s 4½d; choice, 1s 4d; second quality quoted at 1s 3d to 1s 3½d; rough, 1s to 1s 2d per lb.

Cheese.—Plentiful and quiet. Local 8½d, medium 8d to 8½d; large 8d to 8½d; Bodalla, 9d; Kameruka, 8½d per lb.

Poultry.—Moderate sale. Good supplies. River poultry: Fowls, hens, prime 3s to 3s 3d, medium to 2s 9d, very young and inferior from 1s 10d to 2s 6d; choice roosters 3s to 3s 6d; young roosters, locally reared, 3s 6d; hens, 3s 3d to 3s 6d; English river ducks, 2s 3d to 2s 6d; choice to 3s 3d; locally reared, old 3s to 3s 3d, young 3s 6d to 3s 9d; Muscovy ducks, river 3s to 4s; locally reared ducks 3s to 4s, drakes 4s to 5s; geese, 4s 6d to 5s; turkeys, gobblers 7s to 8s, good 9s to 10s, prime to 12s, extra choice to 13s; hens 4s 6d to 6s per pair.

FEED GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Steady. Seed, prime 3s 6d to 3s 7d. Local Algerian, prime 3s 4d to 3s 4½d, others to 3s 3d, white medium 3s 2½d to 3s 4d; Tasmanian, prime feed 3s 4d, milling 3s 5d, good 3s 3d to 3s 3d per bushel.

Barley.—Cape, prime feed, 4s; English feed, prime 4s 3d, prime malting, 4s 6d per bushel.

Maize.—Market steady. River grain quoted 4s 9d; medium, 4s 8d per bushel.

Peas.—Firm. Grey 4s 6d, blue 6s 9d to 7s per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Milling samples 4s 3d to 4s 4d, medium 4s 2d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles: Prime £5 10s to £6, good to £5 7s 6d; Victorian, £4 10s to £4 15s per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River wharf: Prime £7 5s. Railway: Prime small bales to £7 5s, prime in large bales £7, medium £6 15s per ton.

Straw.—Local: Bundles £3 5s to £3 10s; derrick-pressed £3 10s per ton. Tasmanian: £3 10s to £3 12s 6d per ton.

Chaff.—Local: Prime £5 10s to £5 12s 6d; good to £5 7s 6d, rough to £4 15s; straw chaff, easier, £3 2s 6d to £3 10s; Adelaide, £4 15s to £5; extra choice £5 2s 6d; Victorian, £4 10s to £5; Tasmanian, £4 10s to £4 15s per ton.

GAME.

Hares, 10s to 16s; rabbits, 5s 6d to 7s; small, 4s to 5s per dozen pairs.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars, £6 5s, rou[illegible] to £6 per ton.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Both bran and pollard were in demand, especially the latter. Bran was quoted at 1s 2½d to 1s 3½d and pollard at 1s 3½d to 1s 4½d per bushel.

WOOD MARKET.

Heavy supply. Fair demand. Best footwood 11s 6d to 13s, second quality 10s to 11s, rough 8s to 9s, billets plentiful 7s to 8s, bakers', best 9s to 9s 9d, bundles, best 8s 6d to 9s 6d, medium 7s 6d per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lard.—Bladders, 9d; bulk, 8½d to 9d per lb.

Onions.—Victorian: Prime £8, New Zealand £7 10s per ton.

Beeswax.—1s 1d per lb.

Turnips.—Tasmanian: Dull of sale; rough £2 to £2 10s, prime fresh to £3 per ton.

Honey.—Scarce. Choice 3½d to 3¾d; other qualities 2½d to 3d for tins containing 60lb.

REDFERN SALE.

At the Redfern Railway terminus markets this morning only a moderate supply of produce was offered for sale. There was a fair attendance of buyers, who operated steadily in most lines. The market for chaff was quiet, the bulk of the offerings being comprised of straw varieties, which were dull of sale at lower rates. Prime green samples made 5s 6d to 5s 8d, good medium to 5s 4d, and rough to 4s 9d. Straw descriptions were slow at from 3s 1d to 3s 6d per cwt. Prime oaten hay had good sale at 5s 6d to 5s 7d, and medium at 5s 2d per cwt. Prime straw in bundles fetched 3s 4d, rye straw of prime quality going at 3s 6d per cwt. Pollard was in request at 1s 3½d per bushel, while oats were offered without leading to business. Only a small quantity of produce was manifested to arrive for to-morrow's (Friday) sale.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions of produce actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 31 trucks; oaten hay, 3; straw, 1; oats, 1; and pollard, 1.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. Dalgety and Co., G. Wells and Matthews, Dent and Perry, J. Bridge and Co., Ellis and Co., Sheppard, Harvey, and Walker, Farmers and Settlers' Association, Walker and Oxby, Farmers' Co-operative Company, R. M. Suttor and Co., H. Prescott and Co., R. Little and Co., and Francis Chapman.

Supplies were disposed of as follow:—

Chaff.—From Goodacre, Mandurama, (truck No. 670), (19) 4s 9d; Douglas, Walla Walla, (1428) 3s 2d, (8133) 3s 5d, (4350) 3s 2d, (087) 3s 2d; J. Bridge, Culcairn, (1168) 4s 5d, (1037) 4s 5d; Booth Bros., Bomen, (2539) 3s 6d, (4775) passed, (2174), (3625), (3639), and (0853) 3s 3d, (6660) passed, (2019) 3s 4d; Mooney, Uranquinty, (8005) 3s 4d; J. Godfrey, sen., Bagolan, (6578) passed; Hume, Henty, (7249) 3s 2d, (4802) 3s 1d; Norman and Co., Burrumbuttock, (4769) 4s 9d; Lemon, Demondrille, (739) 4s 9d; Prescott, Harefield, (7247) 5s 7d; Patterson, Tindod, (8128) 5s 2d; R. Little, Demondrille, (9067) 4s; Allsopp, Ganmain, (2461) 3s 1d; Hayes Millthorpe, (9671) 5s 6d; M. Saunders and Co., (9951), (11209), and (5085) 5s 8d per cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From G. E. Winterbottom, Garland, (11792) 5s 6d, rye straw 3s 6d, (11276) 5s 2d; J. Pratley, Kelso, (12122) 5s 7d per cwt.

Straw.—Bundle: From G. Leabeater, Garland, (2902) 3s 4d per cwt.

Pollard.—From Murrumbidgerie Milling Company, Wagga, (3354) 1s 3½d per bushel.

Oats.—From S. E. and Co., Corowa, (1553) passed.

Watermelons.—From J. Rees, Penrith, (5249) 5d per dozen.

FRUIT MARKETS.

A good steady business was done in the fruit trade at the Bathurst-street markets this morning. Supplies under offer were ample for all requirements. Apples had good sale, a slight rise in French Crabs being the most important change in prices. Pears had good sale at late rates. Local fruits moved off moderately well at late current values.

Current quotations are:—

Tomatoes.—1s 6d to 3s 6d, choicest 5s per half-case.

Quinces.—From Mudgee, prime 4s to 4s 6d per gin-case; Victorians, 5s to 7s per double case.

Passionfruit.—4s to 4s 6d, good 5s, prime to 7s per half-case; others, 6s to 12s per gin-case.

Apples.—Tasmanian, French Crabs, choicest 5s 6d to 6s, others 4s to 5s; Adam's Pearmains 5s to 5s 6d, others 4s to 4s 6d; Ribstones, 4s to 4s 6d, prime 5s to 5s 6d; Scarlet Pearmains, 3s 6d to 4s 6d, choice 5s to 6s; Stur[illegible], 4s; Codlins, 4s; Prince Alfreds, 4s 6d to 5s 6d, choice 6s to 7s; New York Pippins, 4s 6d to 5s 6d, choice 6s to 6s 6d per case.

Lemons.—Rough 3s 6d to 5s, medium to 6s, good to 7s 6d, choice 8s to 10s per gin-case.

Persimmons.—Inferior and small 1s to 1s 6d, medium to 2s 6d, good to 3s 6d, prime to 4s, extra large 4s 6d to 5s per half-box.

Oranges.—Local: 7s to 9s, rough 6s, navel oranges 8s to 12s per gin-case; Queensland, 7s 6d to 8s per case.

Bananas.—Queensland, inferior 6d to 1s 6d per bunch, others 5s 6d to 7s 6d per case; Fiji 2s to 3s, choice 3s 6d per bunch, 8s to 8s 6d per case.

Preserving Melons.—2s to 3s, choice 4s per dozen.

Pears.—Tasmanian Beurre Deal, 5s 6d to 6s; Gibbin Seedlings, 5s to 5s 6d; Napoleon, 3s to 3s 6d; Winter Cole, 6s to 6s 6d; Swan Eggs, 3s 6d to 4s; Winter Nelis, 6s 6d to 7s per half-case. Victorian choice 8s to 9s per packer case.

Pineapples.—From 9s to 10s per case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

Fair supplies of most kinds of seasonable vegetables were under offer at the Belmore markets this morning. The demand for all lines continued good at prices much the same as those ruling of late.

Prices were as follow:—Cauliflowers, 1s 6d to 6s; cabbages, 1s 6d to 2s 6d, medium to 3s, good to 4s, prime 5s; horseradish, 8s to 9s; asparagus, 6s to 9s; beetroot, 9d to 10d; all herbs, 8d; mint, 8d; plain spinach, 8d to 9d; eschalots, 9d to 1s; leeks, 1s; white turnips, 1s 3d to 1s 6d; parsnips, 1s 3d to 1s 6d; rhubarb, 1s 6d to 2s; celery, 2s to 2s 6d; soup, 1s; watercress, 2s; radishes, 3d to 4d; greenstuff, 4d; horse carrots, 4d; parsley, 9d to 1s; lettuce, 6d to 8d; carrots 9d to 1s per dozen bunches; green peas, 6s to 7s per bushel; French beans, 4s 6d to 5s 6d per bushel; pumpkins, extra large garden 2s to 3s each, others 2s to 5s per dozen; special large garden sorts, 2s to 3s each; vegetable marrows, 1s 6d to 2s; custard marrows, 1s 6d to 2s; tomatoes, 2s to 3s 6d per quarter-case, 4s to 5s per half-case; chillies, 5s to 7s per bushel; sweet potatoes, 6s to 7s per cwt.

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

The following truckings were ordered up to 5 p.m. on Thursday:—For Monday, May 12, 227 sheep vans and 76 cattle waggons; for Thursday, May 15, 309 sheep vans and 129 cattle waggons.

FAT STOCK SALES.

HOMEBUSH YARDS.—Thursday.

SHEEP.

About 31,870 sheep and lambs penned at to-day's sales from 192 consignors, including nine lots ranging from 1000 to 1345 head. The sheep comprised a fair proportion of good useful trade sorts, principally merinos, with a sprinkling of prime—both crossbreds and merinos. There was the usual attendance of buyers, including the Sydney Meat Preserving Company, Limited, but as the supply seemed ample for requirements the market opened at a lower range of values for all descriptions, improving, however, as the sales proceeded, especially for the better qualities, which reached about previous rates. Good to prime lots remained firm to the close, while the lower qualities eased. A feature of the market was the sale of crossbred wethers to 35s, and a Shropshire cross to 40s. Quotations: Prime merino wethers 14s to 15s, extra prime 16s to 16s 6d, good merino wethers 12s to 13s, medium merino wethers 8s to 10s, inferior and light merino wethers 6s 6d to 7s; prime and heavy crossbred wethers 15s 6d to 16s 6d, extra prime and heavy 18s 6d to 20s, a few to 35s, good crossbred wethers 12s 6d to 13s 6d, medium crossbred wethers 9s to 10s, light and inferior crossbred wethers 6s 6d to 7s 6d; prime merino ewes 10s 6d to 11s 6d, extra prime to 12s 6d; good merino ewes 8s 6d to 9s 6d, medium merino ewes 6s to 6s 6d, inferior and light 4s 6d to 5s 6d; prime crossbred ewes 12s 6d to 13s 6d, extra prime to 15s, a few to 21s; good crossbred ewes 9s 6d to 11s, medium crossbred ewes 7s to 8s. Sales:—

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—62 crossbred wethers for M. Shanley at 15s to 15s 2d, 234 wethers at 17s 5, 160 at 11s 10, 19 crossbred ewes at 11s, 201 ewes at 5s 11d; 64 wethers for Kars Estate at 14s 9d to 14s 10d, 626 at 12s 7d to 13s 1d, 262 at 10s; 30 crossbred wethers for J. and F. M'Evoy at 14s 2d, 37 wethers at 12s 1d, 272 crossbred ewes at 11s 11d, 30 at 9s, 29 ewes at 8s 2d; 170 wethers for M. Clancy at 11s 8d, 5 rams and stags at 11s 4d, 33 wethers at 10s; 288 wethers for W. T. Caddell at 10s 9d to 10s 11d, 711 at 9s 4d to 10s; 104 crossbred wethers for W. Buchanan at 9s 6d to 10s 6d, 95 wethers at 9s 11d; 200 wethers for A. Fraser at 10s to 10s 3d, 128 ewes at 8s 3d; 82 crossbreds for J. M'Callum at 9s 2d, 25 wethers at 9s, 46 ewes at 7s; 11 wethers for A. Sturgeon at 8s 6d, 42 ewes at 7s 8d; 46 crossbred wethers for M. Henderson at 7s, 34 crossbred ewes at 7s, 18 wethers at 7s; 220 ewes for J. Collett at 6s 6d, 104 at 5s 1d; 5 ewes (woolly) for D. Larnach at 14s, 12 crossbred wethers at 12s 6d, 20 at 12s 6d, 22 wethers at 11s 6d, 89 crossbred ewes at 11s 6d, 39 ewes at 10s.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—30 crossbred wethers for R. Bryant at 17s, 23 at 18s 6d, 15 at 14s 7d, 25 crossbred ewes and few wethers at 12s 3d, 57 wethers at 11s; 172 wethers for Northern agents at 15s 3d, 525 at 13s 8d; 196 wethers for A. A. Dangar at 14s 7d to 14s 8d, 1007 at 12s 6d to 13s, 44 at 11s 3d; 114 wethers for Orandunbie Estate at 12s 7d, 812 at 11s 11d, 73 at 10s; 116 wethers for C. Mott at 13s 4d, 1036 at 11s 6d, 274 at 9s 1d to 9s 3d; 44 rams for C. S. M'Phillamy at 13s 3d, 9 at 10s 6d; 9 wethers for T. M'Dowall at 16s 3d, 8 at 11s 6d, 15 crossbred wethers at 16s, 29 at 10s 11d; 104 wethers for M. L. Carr at 11s 7d; 199 wethers for J. Baxter at 11s 11d to 12s; 81 wethers for W. Webb at 11s 2d, 7 crossbred wethers at 10s 6d; 21 wethers for M'Rae at 10s 6d, 171 ewes at 8s 7d; 41 crossbred wethers for Carr Brothers at 14s 6d, 280 wethers at 11s 6d, 17 crossbred ewes at 10s 6d, 771 ewes at 6s 6d; 1139 wethers for Northern Agents at 8s 1d, 239 at 7s 4d, 408 at 8s 6d to 8s 9d; 1163 wethers for Peel River L. and M. Company Limited, at 11s 2d to 11s 6d, 94 at 9s 4d; 749 wethers for Northern Agents at 8s 3d to 9s 2d, 144 at 7s 3d to 7s 7d; 15 wethers for E. Brennan at 12s 1d, 247 at 8s 6d, 43 at 7s 6d; 280 wethers for A. S. Bolton at 11s 9d, 6 crossbred hoggets at 11s 5d, 54 wethers at 9s 6d, 6 rams at 8s; 102 wethers for W. T. Badgery at 7s 4d, 341 wethers for J. Anderson at 9s 9d to 10s, 274 ewes at 7s 9d; 9 wethers for W. Morrice at 8s 3d; 49 wethers for Sullivan Brothers at 8s 5d, 3 rams at 6s 5d, 67 ewes at 7s; 55 crossbred ewes for M. T. Crowhurst at 8s 9d, 21 wethers at 7s; 173 wethers for L. A. W. Moore at 9s 6d, 31 ewes at 7s 3d; 212 wethers for Western agents at 7s 4d; 94 wethers for Southern agents at 7s 10d, 167 crossbred ewes at 7s, 26 crossbred ewes for F. S. Vincent at 6s.

Robert Little and Co.—Hay, Chaff, Produce Auctioneers, Redfern, daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

The Berrima District Farm and Dairy Coy., Ltd., 664 and 666 Harris-street, Sydney, for prime Creamery Butter, Robertson, Mittagong, and North Coast factories. "A" and "Crown" Bacon, Cheese, Eggs, &c.—Advt.

Ellis and Co., live stock and produce auctioneers.—Sales of chaff, hay, &c., held at Redfern daily.—Advt.

J. C. Young and Co.—79 wethers for Southern agents at 11s 9d, 69 at 11s 5d, 54 at 9s 1d; 80 ewes for T. Davy at 7s 10d; 30 ewes for Southern agents at 8s 9d, 73 wethers at 9s 10d; 52 wethers for J. Weatherall at 9s 9d, 11 crossbred ewes at 10s 4d.

Maiden Brothers.—1 crossbred wether for E. Deacon at 40s, 47 wethers at 10s 6d; 57 wethers for C. W. Glasser at 16s 5d, 33 at 12s, 89 ewes at 7s 10d; 21 crossbred wethers for F. R. C. Hopkins at 14s 8d, 155 at 12s 8d to 12s 11d, 45 ewes at 11s to 13s 3d, 382 at 11s 2d to 11s 3d, 48 at 10s 8d; 57 wethers for Roach Brothers at 15s 2d, 22 at 13s, 105 crossbred ewes at 13s 3d, 74 at 11s 9d, 27 at 9s 9d; 208 wethers for Messrs. Manion Brothers at 13s 6d to 13s 8d, 212 at 11s 10d, 94 at 9s 11d; 109 wethers for D. Haskin, Ard Glen, at 17s 2d, 277 at 11s 1d, 18 rams at 11s 3d; 129 wethers for Southern agents at 15s 8d; 67 wethers for Mageennis and Julian Brothers at 12s 11d, 31 crossbred ewes at 12s; 150 merino wethers for J. Frape at 13s, 29 at 10s 6d, 7 crossbred wethers at 15s; 5 crossbred ewes for G. B. Chapman at 21s, 4 at 14s, 15 wethers at 11s, 10 ewes at 8s 7d; 66 ewes for Southern agents at 11s; 150 wethers for James Murray at 12s to 12s 7d, 14 at 9s, 6 crossbreds at 10s 9d, 23 crossbred ewes at 9s; 346 wethers for Anderson Brothers at 9s 1d to 9s 3d, 192 at 8s, 9 crossbred stags at 13s 3d; 51 ewes for W. J. Pike at 8s; 43 crossbred wethers for W. Christie at 15s 5d, 60 ewes at 14s 6d, 86 wethers at 12s 6d, 25 crossbred wethers at 11s 10d, 39 crossbred ewes at 11s 10d, 47 wethers at 10s; 58 wethers for E. Harvey at 10s 11d to 11s, 48 ewes at 9s 7d; 5 crossbred ewes for W. Heffernan at 9s 8d, 71 wethers at 9s 5d, 10 at 7s 6d; 111 ewes for A. Nixon at 8s 6d; 24 ewes for C. E. Richards at 7s 11d; 104 wethers for J. J. M'Phee at 10s 5d; 60 wethers for T. Chiney at 11s 9d, 128 ewes at 10s 5d to 10s 6d, 1 crossbred pet at 15s 3d, 20 crossbred wethers at 13s 5d, 25 ewes at 11s 11d; 149 wethers for J. M'Mahon at 7s, 50 at 6s 3d; 118 ewes for J. Burton at 6s 9d; 50 ewes for J. Lavely at 8s 5d to 8s 6d; 17 wethers for J. Jobson at 8s 8d, 48 ewes at 7s 2d, 1 crossbred wether at 8s; 228 ewes for Mrs. E. Glasson at 7s 5d; 60 ewes for A. Dalziell at 6s 2d; 8 crossbreds for F. Toole at 8s 8d, 35 ewes at 7s 4d.

Farmers and Settlers' Co-operative Association.—31 ewes for H. Worboys at 9s 8d; 20 wethers for Mrs. Carroll at 14s 10d, 76 at 12s to 12s 3d.

Warden Harry Graves and Son.—88 wethers for J. H. Hume at 11s 3d to 11s 8d, 18 at 10s 10d; 104 wethers for G. M. Simpson at 9s 8d, 889 at 7s 6d, 20 stags at 9s 3d.

Wilkinson and Lavender.—17 crossbred wethers for Charles Burcher at 12s 5d, 35 at 10s 7d, 13 at 9s 6d, 32 crossbred ewes at 10s 3d, 66 at 9s 7d, 177 wethers at 11s 2d to 11s 7d, 324 at 9s 7d to 9s 8d, 55 ewes at 9s 9d; 203 wethers for W. A. Lang at 10s 11d to 11s.

Weaver and Perry.—37 wethers for T. Bosley at 12s 2d, 91 at 10s, 132 ewes at 12s 2d, 12s 3d, 35 at 9s 1d; 50 wethers for J. V. Lloyd at 16 2d, 117 at 14s 5d, 31 at 12s 6d, 99 ewes at 12s 3d, 12s 4d; 300 ewes for J. Hoddle at 9s 1d; 78 wethers for J. Cummins at 10s 1d, 30 at 9s 2d, 86 ewes at 9s; 72 wethers for F. J. Martel at 14s, 19 at 14s; 96 ewes for Southern agents at 9s 4d, 9s 5d, 68 (mixed) at 9s; 92 ewes for H. B. Gallagher at 6s 9d, 25 wethers at 6s; 49 wethers for F. J. Firth at 15s 3d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—6 ewes for A. S. Tom at 11s 3d, 20 wethers at 9s 10d, 10s, 12 crossbred ewes at 8s 6d, 31 ewes at 8s 9d.

Hill, Clark and Co.—14 crossbred wethers for H. M'Phillamy at 35s, 30 at 20s 3d, 23 at 19s 9d, 115 comeback wethers at 19s, 22 crossbred wethers at 17s 1d, 26 comeback wethers at 15s 8d; 50 crossbred wethers for Southern agents at 15s 9d, 56 crossbred ewes at 12s 9d to 13s, 69 comeback wethers at 14s 1d, 48 at 11s 5d to 11s 6d, 65 comeback ewes at 11s 6d; 18 wethers for J. Holston at 13s 11d, 85 ewes at 8s 6d, 94 at 7s 10d, 7 rams at 8s; 21 wethers for D. Murray at 13s 3d, 54 ewes at 7s 11d, 33 at 7s 3d; 5 crossbreds for A. J. M'Innes at 13s, 211 wethers at 11s 11d to 12s, 6 at 10s 8d; 111 ewes for Gerald Massey at 12s 6d to 12s 7d, 47 wethers at 12s, 428 ewes at 10s to 10s 3d, 200 at 8s 8d to 8s 9d, 18 rams at 8s 2d; 289 wethers for Northern agents at 9s 4d to 9s 6d, 351 at 8s to 8s 3d; 88 wethers for J. Byrne at 11s 2d, 32 at 9s 2d, 79 ewes at 8s 9d; 8 ewes for Litchfield Bros. at 10s 6d; 238 ewes for G. H. Burcher at 8s 1d.

LAMBS.

A full supply of lambs. All qualities forward, more prime than of late, including a sprinkling of extra prime; competition active and prices much better. Prime lambs 11s to 12s 6d, extra prime lambs 13s 6d to 14s 3d, good lambs 9s to 10s, medium lambs 6s 6d to 7s 6d, light and inferior 4s 6d to 5s 6d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—12 lambs for M. Shanley at 12s 6d; 63 lambs for J. M'Callum at 7s 4d, 12 at 6s 2d; 5 lambs for J. Collett at 7s 9d; 15 lambs for D. Larnach at 8s 2d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—33 crossbred for R. Bryant at 13s, 16 at 10s 1d; 38 crossbred for A. S. Bolton at 11s 6d; 35 crossbred for T. M'Dowall at 7s; 27 crossbred for W. Morrice at 9s 10d, 69 lambs at 9s 2d; 17 crossbred for M. T. Crowhurst at 7s; 13 lambs for W. Webb at 9s; 28 lambs for F. S. Vincent at 8s 5d, 68 at 7s; 52 lambs for Southern agents at 8s 1d to 8s 5d, 15 at 7s to 7s 6d.

J. C. Young and Co.—35 lambs for J. Weatherall at 8s; 10 lambs for T. Davey at 7s 8d, 23 at 6s 4d.

Maiden Brothers.—80 crossbreds for E. Deacon at 14s to 14s 3d, 65 at 12s 6d, 9 at 6s 2d; 98 lambs for E. Harvey at 10s 7d to 10s 10d; 18 lambs for G. B. Chapman at 10s 7d to 13s 11d, 33 at 8s 6d to 10s, 5 at 8s; 32 lambs for T. Cheney at 10s 7d, 8 at 8s; 54 lambs for J. Laverty at 11s; 66 lambs for F. R. C. Hopkins at 9s 3d; 17 lambs for W. Hetterman at 8s 2d; 51 lambs for R. L. Webb at 5s 7d; 84 lambs for C. E. Richards at 7s 1d; 66 lambs for J. Jobson at 8s 6d; 50 lambs for A. Dalziell at 7s; 59 lambs for J. E. Larnach at 6s 10d; 20 hoggets for T. Jones at 9s, 8 lambs at 8s, 23 at 7s; 29 lambs for F. Toole at 7s 11d, 24 at 7s; 21 lambs for Western agents at 4s 6d.

Farmers and Settlers' Association, Limited.—25 lambs for J. H. Warboys at 11s 6d, 40 at 10s 6d, 15 at 9s 11d.

Weaver and Perry.—117 lambs for T. Bosley at 10s 3d; 18 lambs for J. Cummins at 9s 3d; 26 lambs for F. H. Thrusby at 12s 10d, 88 at 11s 3d; 47 lambs for Southern agents at 9s 11d, 8 at 7s 6d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—32 lambs for A. S. Tom at 8s 10d, 6 at 7s 9d.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—7 lambs for A. J. M'Innis at 10s; 123 lambs for Litchfield Brothers at 10s 6d, 99 at 9s 1d; 10 lambs for G. L. Burcher at 9s 7d, 35 at 8s; 17 lambs for G. Massey at 8s 1d.

CATTLE.

Upwards of 1005 cattle yarded, representing 46 consignors; about 380 head from the Northern and North coast districts, 360 from the south, the balance from the west and counties of Camden and Cumberland. The yardings mainly comprised medium, light, and inferior sorts; good to prime bullocks very scarce, one or two yards of prime and heavy bullocks, and odd choice beasts; about 600 cows and heifers, one-third good to prime and prime and heavy, the balance chiefly light and inferior; 36 calves and a few bulls. There was the usual attendance of buyers, and as the supply was within requirements the market opened to brisk competition at values not quite equal to last Monday's record rates, except perhaps for prime heavy weight bullocks, which were scarce and held their own. As the sales proceeded the weakness increased on the lower quality bullocks and cows. Closing quotations:—Yards of extra prime and heavy bullocks £14 2s 6d to £16 2s 6d, odd extra prime and heavy bullocks to £18 5s, yards of prime bullocks £11 to £12, yards of good bullocks £9 to £10, yards of medium bullocks £6 10s to £7 10s, yards of light and inferior bullocks and steers £5 to £5 10s, yards of prime cows £7 10s to £8 10s, yards of prime and heavy cows £9 10s to £10 7s, yards of good cows £6 to £6 10s, yards of medium cows £4 10s to £5, yards of inferior and light cows and heifers £2 10s to £4. Best beef may be quoted at 34s per 100lb.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—2 bullocks for D. and J. Leahy at £10 10s, 6 to £11 10s, averaging £10 2s 4d, 2 cows at £3 10s, 1 heifer at £3, 3 steers at £2 2s; 20 bullocks for Rosebrook Estate to £10 12s, averaging £9 10s; 44 bullocks for J. O'Brien to £9 8s, averaging £8 18s 4d; 31 cows for J. Doneghey to £8 1s, averaging £6 1s, 4 steers to £6 16s, averaging £6 3s 3d; 25 cows for A. E. H. Carter to £5 2s, averaging £4 6s 2d, 3 bullocks and stags to £6 6s, averaging £5 10s 8d; 1 bullock for Hill Brothers at £6 9s; 2 heifers for C. Davis at £3 9s; 2 cows for local owner to £5 10s, averaging £4 16s, 4 at £2; 5 cows and 1 bull for Southern agents; 28 calves for C. Davis, sen., to £2 3s, averaging £1 4s 5d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—7 bullocks for W. Hodges at £10 6s, 2 steers at £7 1s, 2 cows to £7 6s, averaging £6 14s; 44 cows for W. E. Boyd to £9 7s, averaging £6 11s 1d; 49 cows and heifers for J. Hyland to £7 17s, averaging £7 0s 7d; 1 stag for Southern agents at £8 15s, 31 cows and heifers to £8, averaging £6 13s 5d, 3 calves at £3 15s; 12 cows for W. D. Gordon at £6, 1 bullock at £5 18s; 1 steer for J. Williams at £7 3s, 4 cows and heifers to £8 14s, averaging £5 18s 6d; 7 cows and heifers for D. Morrice to £6 8s, averaging £5 17s 8d, 2 bulls to £4 9s, averaging £4 2s, 7 calves to £1, averaging 13s 9d.

J. C. Young and Co.—88 cows for Northern agents to £10 1s, averaging £8 18s 10d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—22 bullocks for A. Fraser to £9 11s, averaging £9 3s 4d; 60 cows for Trustees T. Walker to £8 17s, averaging £8; 2 bullocks for R. O. Higgins at £8 13s, 18 steers to £6 11s, averaging £6 7s 10d, 3 cows to £7 10s, averaging £6 12s 8d, 1 bull at £5 0s; 10 bullocks for J. Lowry to £9 14s, averaging £7 14s, 14 cows to £5 1s, averaging £4 13s 8d; 5 cows for Northern agents at £7 10s, 11 heifers at £1 10s.

Weaver and Perry.—20 bullocks for Edward White to £18 5s, averaging £15 4s 9d; 6 bullocks for A. M. White to £17 5s, averaging £13 8s 4d; 22 bullocks for J. Curry at £10, 9 cows at £8 10s, 4 heifers at £5 18s; 46 bullocks and steers for T. F. and J. Grills to £9 5s, averaging £8 0s 5d, 22 cows and heifers to £6 15s, averaging £5 13s 4d; 4 bullocks for F. S. and H. W. Bell to £14 12s 6d, averaging £13 19s 4d, 6 cows to £9 9s, averaging £9 5s; 40 steers for W. Moore to £8 14s, averaging £6 2s 10d; 7 steers for Southern agents to £6 1s, averaging £6 0s 7d, 2 cows at £6 15s, 2 heifers at £3 7s; 13 heifers for E. Cox at £2 12s 9d; 12 cows for W. and F. Rofe at £2 4s, 1 bull at £2 18s; 5 cows for J. B. Hunter averaging £4 15s 5d, 1 bull at £2 18s; 6 cows for A. N. Collett, averaging £3 11s 4d; 12 cows for T. Hindmarsh at £4 18s, 1 bull at £3; 11 heifers for Southern agents at £2 2s 2d; 11 heifers for Cox and Baikie at £2 2s 6d; 2 bullocks for Southern agents at £10, 10 cows averaging £4 19s 1d; 12 cows for local owner to £9 13s, averaging £4 11s 8d.

Maiden Brothers.—9 bullocks for Southern agents to £11 3s, averaging £10 9s 9d, 3 cows to £5 1s; 9 bullocks for Southern agents at £10; 11 bullocks for H. Edwards to £6 14s, averaging £6 10s, 3 cows at £4 9s; 4 heifers for J. Nixon at £3 5s; 3 cows for local owners to £8 12s.

William Inglis and Son.—29 bullocks for Mr. W. Land to £8 18s, averaging £8, 29 cows and heifers to £4 15s, averaging £4 7s 6d, 1 stag at £4 5s; 12 cows for Southern agents at £2, 1 bull at £2 16s.

CITY YARDS.

William Inglis and Son report:—Milch cows: The supply forward was about up to the average, viz., 68. The yarding comprised a fair number of good cows and heifers, balance only medium. There was a large attendance of buyers, and competition for the best sorts was spirited, while poor cows and those of medium and inferior quality were dull of sale. Best made £10 5s to £11 10s, extra £12 to £14, one extra choice brought £20 5s, good £7 10s to £8 15s, medium £5 5s to £6 10s, inferior £3 15s to £4 10s. We sold 68 at the above quotations. Calves: We sold 73, the Hunter, 15s 6d to 52s; 10, Riverstone, 26s to 51s 6d; 15, Penrith, 18s to 63s; 15, St. Marys, 10s 6d to 17s; 20, Campbelltown, 10s 6d to 15s; 10, Liverpool, 13s to 25s; 31, various owners, 9s 6d to 50s. Pigs: We sold 103, Clarence and Macleay rivers, 13s to 50s; 36, Rookwood Asylum, 42s to 83s; 13, Dungog, 23s 6d to 41s; 13, Liverpool, at 36s 6d; 2, Newington, at £4 6s and £6 15s, res.; 10, Rooty Hill, 17s to 48s; 41, suburban owners, 34s to 65s.

George Wells and Matthews.—Calves: 216 were yarded for the week. Prime heavy sorts were scarce. The demand all round was very brisk, and values showed a further increase on last week. We sold 65 as follows:—Small, 10s to 18s; light, 19s to 22s 6d; medium, 23s 6d to 30s 6d; prime young vealers, 53s to 60s; prime heavy yearlings, 60s to 80s. Pigs: 2584 were yarded for the week. Our sales amounted to 234, at the following prices:—Light porkers, 20s to 25s 6d; heavy porkers, 27s 6d to 32s 6d; light baconers, 36s 6d to 48s; heavy baconers, 49s 6d to 60s; backfats, 70s to £6 2s; and stores, 9s to 16s 6d. The market was better for baconers, but porkers were slightly lower.

J. C. Young and Co. report having sold 40 calves, rail and steamer, to £2 13s; 150 pigs, rail and steamer, to £3 9s.

Ellis and Co. report, at the City Corporation Yards and their Railway Stock Saleyards,—Milch cows, £4 17s 6d to £10 10s each; fat cows, £5 10s to £10. Fat calves: 13 (Quinn), 9s to 64s; 11 (Marsden), 18s 6d to 48s; 17 (various), 13s to 34s each. Fat pigs: 24 (Muller), 27s to 36s; 13 (Egan), 44s to 61s 6d; 30 (Larkin), 18s to 38s; 47 (Whelan), 17s 6d to 28s 6d each. Store pigs: 30 (various), 7s 9d to 13s 6d each. Pigs were in full supply this week. Baconers sold slowly; prices were down about 4s per head; notwithstanding the fall values are still payable. Porkers sold freely at late good values. Heavy pigs and backfatters command payable prices. Rough and faulty kinds, including stores, sold dull at low figures. Calves, good to prime, especially heavy kinds, were in brisk demand at high prices. Rough and faulty kinds found buyers at full values. Coming sales for both pigs and calves are likely to rule unaltered.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

Fat stock sales were held at Campbell's Hill to-day in the presence of a representative attendance of buyers. In the cattle section the supply forward was insufficient to meet trade requirements. Biddings were very brisk, and values were firm at an advance on last week's rates. Odd extra prime bullocks made £14 15s to £15; best yards made £11 2s to £12; good, £9 5s to £10 10s; light and medium, £6 12s to £7 19s. Cows: Best, £7 to £7 12s 6d; good, £6 4s to £6 14s; others, £4 to £5 10s. Calves: A small supply was forward. Competition was particularly brisk, and values were firm at late rates. Prime heifer vealers made £4 2s to £4 12s; good, 58s and 60s to 70s; small and medium, 12s 6d to 38s. Sheep: A fairly large supply was penned. The quality of the consignments was the best forward for some considerable time. The demand was very brisk, and excellent values ruled throughout. No crossbred wethers were forward. Medium ewes made 12s 9d to 14s 6d; best pens merino wethers, 17s 5d to 18s 1d; good, 14s 9d to 16s 10d; medium, 11s 6d to 12s 6d; inferior, 7s to 9s 6d; ewes, tops 12s 6d to 13s, seconds 10s to 11s 1d, inferior 6s 6d to 8s; lambs, 10s to 11s 9d. Fat and store pigs: A small supply was forward. The demand was active, and last day's high rates were fully maintained. No prime baconers were forward. Good baconers made 35s to 48s; best porkers, 22s to 25s 6d; light, 17s 6d to 20s; stores and slips, 4s 6d to 6s 3d.

STATION PRODUCE REPORTS.

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., the Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited, report:—

Tallow.—A very strong market has again to be recorded, resulting in an average rise of 20s per ton. Prime mutton sold to £31 per ton; medium, to £30 10s; prime mixed, to £30; good, mixed, to £29 5s; medium, mixed, to £28 12s 6d. 246 casks were offered and 202 sold.

Hair, Horns, and Sundries.—There was a good general demand for all descriptions without any material change in values. Quotations: Horsehair sold to 20d per lb.; cowhair to 13½d; cowstumps to 9½d; shankbone round to £5 5s per ton, mixed to £3 5s; thighbones to £17; buttocks to £8 5s; hoofs to £4 10s; hide pieces, best to £9 10s, inferior to £6; pizzles to £11 10s; sinews, best to £29, ordinary to £18; horns to 81s per 100; beeswax, 12½d to 12¾d per lb.

BRISBANE WOOL SALES.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Dalgety and Co., Limited, Brisbane, report:—"The May series of wool sales was held to-day. 3200 bales were submitted to the largest attendance of buyers. There was very keen competition. Prices advanced 10 to 15 per cent. on February sales' rates and topped the market at 8½d for average greasy wool, and fine scoured up to 19d. The principal sales were:—Beaconsfield, Ilfracombe, scoured, 19d; Logan Downs, Clermont, 18½d; Gracedale, Richmond, 18d; Belford, Richmond, 17¾d; Logan Downs, greasy, and Gracedale, Richmond, 8½d; Warra, Darling Downs, 8¾d."

MELBOURNE FRUIT MARKET.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the Queen Victoria market this morning apples sold at 3s to 6s per case, grapes 8s to 14s, oranges 8s to 10s, lemons 7s to 8s; melons, preserving, 3s to 6s per dozen; pears, culinary 3s 6d to 4s per case, dessert 5s to 9s; quinces, 1s 9d to 2s per case.

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THE BUILDING TRADE.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE OF THE UNIONS.

The whole of the unions connected with the building trades have arranged to hold a conference early next month at the Trades Hall, when questions that have for some time been agitating the members of the various trades will be considered. Amongst the proposals with which it is intended to deal are those of uniform starting hours throughout the trade, a week of 44 working hours, as well as the wages question. The latter subject has already received consideration by several of the trades, including the painters, plasterers, carpenters, and builders' labourers, the whole of whom have agreed to increased rates.

BREADCARTERS' UNION.

For some time the Breadcarters' Union and the employers have been meeting in conference regarding the matter of wages and general working conditions, but all efforts had proved abortive, and no amicable arrangement could be arrived at. As mentioned in yesterday's "Herald" preliminary steps have been taken to refer the case at issue between the parties to the Arbitration Court. The full text of the demands of the carters is as follows:—

1. That the members of the Breadcarters' Industrial Union shall work only 54 hours per week, including Sunday work, and one hour per day for meals.
2. That the said members shall, for the 54 hours, including Sunday work, and one hour for meals, receive a minimum wage of 45s per week.
3. If any member of the said union work more than 54 hours per week (including Sunday work and one hour per day for meals) in any week he shall receive a further 1s per hour overtime pay. Six hours to be the maximum, excepting unforeseen circumstances.
4. Any master baker employing a carter who does not belong to the union shall do so on the condition that the said carter joins the union within one month, providing the union does not charge more than 10s nomination fee, and 1s per week contribution.
5. That no member of the said union board on the premises.
6. That the members of the said union shall have no reduction made in their pay for the breadcarters' monthly holiday.
7. That no agreement shall be made between members of the said union and the said employer, and any existing agreement between them shall terminate from March 29.
8. That no member of the said union receiving more than the minimum wage shall be reduced on such minimum wage becoming law.

THE CABMEN'S UNION AND THE TRAFFIC ACT.

The Cabmen's Union has adopted a petition for submission to Parliament, in which amendments are desired to be made in the Metropolitan Traffic Act. At a meeting of the Vanmen's Union held last night at the Trades Hall, the members were requested to give the petition their support. Delegates were present from the Cabmen's Union, and explained the position taken up by them in the matter. It was decided to co-operate.

MARBLE-WORKERS.

A demand for an increase in the rate of wages and better working conditions was recently framed by the Marble-workers' Union, and was forwarded to the Employers' Association with a request that they should come into operation at an early date. The union was desirous that a conference should be held to consider the terms, and the various employers were communicated with to that effect. A meeting of the union was held last night at the Trades Hall, when letters were received from Messrs. Crane and Sons, Anthony Hordern and Sons, Creak and Ford, and E. Brady, consenting to meet representatives of the union in conference. The demands of the union are:—Masons, 10s per day; machinists, 9s per day; and polishers, 8s per day of eight hours, together with regulations covering the employment of boy labour. Six representatives were appointed to represent the union at the conference.

BOOKBINDERS AND PAPER RULERS' UNION.

The annual meeting was held at the Trades' Hall on Wednesday night, under the presidency of Mr. E. Tuckwell. The report and balance-sheet proved highly satisfactory, and the roll showed an increase of membership. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. W. Booth; vice-president, Mr. R. Kay; treasurer, Mr. J. Carter; secretary, Mr. Frank Bunting. Messrs. J. Carter and F. Bunting were elected delegates on the eight-hour committee, and it is the intention of the society to again try to secure the first prize in the spectacular display. The sum of £5 was donated to the Newcastle Wharf Labourers' Union.

TAILORS' MACHINISTS' UNION.

The new working conditions framed by the Tailors' Machinists' Union have been declined by the employers in the various clothing factories, and at a meeting of the union held last night at the Trades Hall it was agreed to state a case for reference to the Arbitration Court in conjunction with the Tailoresses' Union. Mr. A. Morris was appointed to represent the union in the proceedings.

SYDNEY LABOUR COUNCIL.

THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMISSION.

The weekly meeting of the Sydney Labour Council was held last night in the Trades' Hall, Mr. Allen Cameron (president) occupied the chair. There was a large attendance of members. The correspondence included a number of letters from affiliated unions, in reply to a circular sent out by the council, appealing for support on behalf of the Newcastle wharf labourers. The aggregate of the amounts received last night towards the fund, together with promises, the secretary reported, was about £80, of which over £50 was in hand. A letter was received from Dr Belgrave, urging that steps should be taken by the council to recommend some person to be appointed by the Government to represent the workers on the commission appointed to deal with the subject of technical education. On the motion of Mr. Aarons (Cigarmakers' Union) it was resolved,—"That this council take steps to carry into effect the proposal contained in the letter from Dr. Belgrave, and that the Government be requested to appoint a nominee from the workers to co-operate with the two delegates sent by the Government to Europe to report in regard to technical education." A committee, consisting of Messrs. Underwood, Hornblower, Aaron, Reddie, Fox, Ware, Gallagher, Bunting, Moon, Melson, Rock, and Hawkins, was appointed to organise new unions. Mr. T. D. Richards then moved,—"That in the opinion of this council the labour members of Parliament should not undertake to represent or assist any male employee or elector at or before any Government institution or department unless or until such employee or elector first produce a bona-fide labour league ticket or trades-union card of membership, and then to ascertain that his representation for assistance will not be detrimental to the interest of any existing trades-union; also, that this resolution be forwarded to the secretary of the Parliamentary Labour party for strict adherence." Considerable discussion ensued, during which it was stated that if the motion was carried it would not only be usurping the functions of the Political Labour League, but would be exercising a considerable degree of trades-union tyranny. On the other hand, it was contended that it would not only be in the interests of the labour members themselves—as the members of the party were only advance labour agents—but would conduce to the benefit of unionists generally. One speaker stated recent German arrivals to the State had been given positions on the trams in preference to men who had been working in the department for two and a half years. When full inquiries were made the matter would be brought before the council. On being put to the meeting the motion was negatived.

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GLEN INNES, Thursday.

At the annual meeting of the Central New England Pastoral and Agricultural Association, the president, Mr. W. F. Chaffey, occupied the chair. The annual report showed that the association was in a strong financial position. During the year a large poultry pavilion was erected, and the ground lighted with gas, the total amount of expenditure being £204 15s. After meeting all liabilities in connection with the recent show the overdraft at the bank stood at £40, against which the Government subsidy was to be received. The recent show was the most successful ever held, the number and quality of exhibits being in excess of any previous year, and the attendance of the public a record one. The committee sent a district exhibit to the Royal Agricultural Society's exhibition, and succeeded in winning second prize. It was decided to affiliate with the United Agricultural Societies' Union. Mr. Bloxsome moved,—"That in pursuance of the resolution passed at a conference held in Glen Innes last March a union of the northern agricultural societies be formed, and that a meeting be held during August at Glen Innes, when matters affecting the interests of the societies could be dealt with." This was agreed to. It was decided to have the showground connected by telephone with the central office, and the dates for next show were fixed for March 12, 13, and 14. The following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. J. F. Chaffey (unopposed); vice-presidents, Messrs. G. Carvell and D. M. C. M'Gregor; auditors, Messrs. Ramsay and H. B. M'Kie; committee, Messrs. J. Bishop, C. E. Glennie, J. Priest, W. T. Cadell, Cecil Bloxsome, W. Hodges, A. A. Veness, W. H. Lamb, J. Hutchinson, J. H. Davidson, J. Wetherspoon, F. H. Wrigley, F. J. Thomas, T. Fitzgerald, W. F. Ogilvie, W. Lindsay, J. A. Martin, D. M'Intyre, J. Rogerson, J. Healy, J. B. Coventry, H. R. Crossman, A. O'Hara, P. P. Abbott, W. M'Creadie, T. H. Perkins, C. J. Campbell, D. Crockett, J. F. White, W. Woollings, A. Ballard, A. F. Ross, A. S. Bolton, and R. A. Alcock.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' LEGISLATION.

The question of the federation of the various M. U. friendly societies throughout the Commonwealth of Australia was discussed at the grand annual moveable conference of the Manchester Unity Order of Oddfellows yesterday. The resolutions passed at the inter-State conference in Melbourne were approved. The principal resolution read as follows:—"That, in the interests of friendly societies, it is desirable that an Act embodying all the leading principles in present Acts should be prepared and passed by the Federal Parliament, and that it be a recommendation from this conference to each governing body of the order within the Commonwealth to use all legitimate means to hasten the introduction of such an Act."

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN SYDNEY M'PHILLAMY, late of Wyanawah, near Cookardinia, in the State of New South Wales, Inspector of Conditional Purchases, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the tenth day of June, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executor. Dated this eighth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two. T. W. GARRETT, MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Executor's Solicitors.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 20th day of May, 1902, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 16th day of May, 1902:—Re ALICE HELENA BUCKWORTH (No. 15,084), of 118 Wells-street, Newtown, Seamstress; re SYDNEY SMITHERS (No. 15,086), of Flinders-street, Wollongong, Labourer, formerly carried on business in partnership with Adam James Boyd, as Boyd and Smithers, produce merchants, Crown-street, Wollongong; re EMILY THERESA CONROY (No. 15,080), of Rookwood, Hairdresser and Tobacconist. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. L. T. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (4c-44)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of GEORGE MUNRO, formerly of Mauriceville, in the District of Wellington, New Zealand, Farmer, but late of British New Guinea, Miner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration cum testamento annexo of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased (without a bond or sureties) may be granted to MURDOCH M'KENZIE, an Uncle of the said deceased, and one of the beneficiaries named in the said Will, the Executor therein named being resident out of the State of New South Wales, and all creditors are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the undersigned within the said period of fourteen days; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. FREDERICK WILLIAM WALKER, Proctor for Applicant, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN HENRY SCOTT DURBIN, late of Tamworth House, Hunstanton, in the county of Norfolk, England, Esquire, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that the Probate granted by the High Court of Justice in England on the twenty-ninth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, to the Executors, CYRIL MORGAN BROWN and FREDERICK HENRY PARTRIDGE, in respect of the above Estate, may be Sealed with the Seal of this Court; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. WILLIAM FREDERICK TRIBE, Proctor for the Applicants, Tamworth. By his Agents, CURTISS and BARRY, 167 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN WILLIAM MALONE, late of Strawberry Hills, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, an infant, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the above deceased may be granted to HENRY RICHARD THURLOW, of Narrabri aforesaid, Hotelkeeper, sole Executor of the Will of PETER MALONE, late of Narrabri aforesaid, retired police officer, deceased, and father of the said deceased. And all notices may be served at the office of A. H. DELOHERY, 53 Elizabeth-street, Sydney. Dated this seventh day of May, A.D. 1902. GEORGE SAMUEL EVANS DALE, Proctor for the Applicant, Maitland-street, Narrabri. By his agent, A. H. DELOHERY, 53 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN DWYER, late of No. 4 William Henry-street, Ultimo, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Wool Agent, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ELLEN DWYER, the Widow of the said deceased; and application will be made to dispense with the usual Bond and Sureties, and for power to sell real estate. And all persons having any claims against the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are requested to forward particulars thereof to the undersigned. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. L. J. O'NEILL, Proctor for Applicant, Burrowa.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES WARK, late of Kogarah, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Railway Employee, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate may be granted to MARGARET WARK, Widow, and CHRISTINA WARK, Daughter of the said deceased. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. REGINALD SULLIVAN, Proctor for the Administratrices, Post Office-chambers, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ANN HACKETT, late of Woollahra, in the State of New South Wales, Spinster, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDMUND HACKETT, the Brother of the said deceased. All notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. Creditors are to send in their claims. STEPHEN, JAQUES, and STEPHEN, Proctors for Applicant, 12 and 14 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DANIEL CORCORAN, late of Berrigan, in the State of New South Wales, Licensed Victualler, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARGARET CORCORAN, the Executrix named in the said Will. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. HAROLD P. WHITTY, Proctor for the Executrix, Berrigan. By his agent, H. PEDEN STEEL, Solicitor, 98 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ELIZABETH RYAN, late of Paddington, near the city of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN RYAN, a Son of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. ASHER, OLD, and JONES, Proctors for Administrator, 17 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARY ANN HOLMSTEN, formerly of Grafton, and late of Glebe Point, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the above-named deceased may be granted to HENRY HARMAN SANDERS and EDWARD AVERY, the Executors named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. GEORGE FOOTT, Proctor for the Executors, Victoria-street, Grafton.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELIZABETH NAPIER, of Pyrmont Bridge-road, Glebe, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN NAPIER, the sole Executor named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. HENRY DAVIS, Proctor for Executor, Bull's-chambers, 14 Moore-street, Sydney.

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